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The Virginia Military Institute. This proud bastion of honor and discipline has stood for over a century and a half in a world where these virtues are quickly becoming vices. Yet, as unyielding as it is, not even VMI can wholly withstand the tides of change. Every year some small change occurs that seems to shake the very foundations upon which VMI stands. But through it all the Corps maintains the code by which it lives -- Honor, Duty, and Discipline.

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HONOR...

is the very foundation of what makes VMI unique. The code by which we live is very blunt, very simple -- A cadet does not lie, cheat, steal, nor tolerate those who do. No other school in the nation so rigorously enforces or jealously guards it's honor system. This system allows for a very special bond to be formed between VMI men that carries on even after they have left the Institute behind and forever shapes the morals by which they live.

Duty...

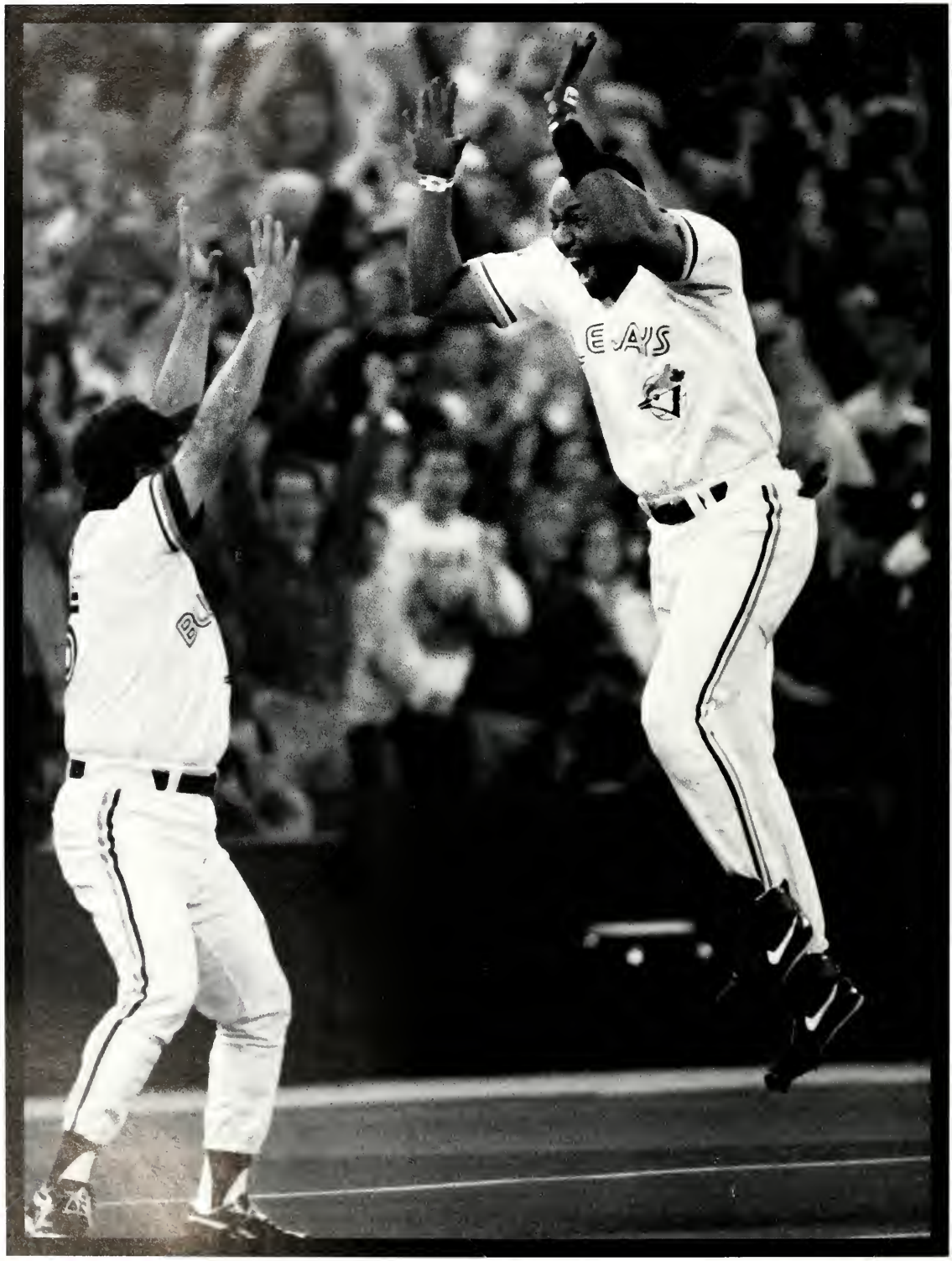
is a word that is heard every day at the Institute. But it is much more than a mere word to those who must follow it. It is a way of life, a dedication and sense of belonging that binds together even the weakest of men. Duty is a sense which can only be found within the individual. He will not be able to tell you what it is nor what it means, but it's presence will always be apparent in him. This is a concept inherent to the Virginia Military Institute and pervades the soul of all of it's sons, wether they continue into the military or take up leadership in the civilian world.

DISCIPLINE

is the ability to withstand temptation. At the Virginia Military Institute, temptation is constannt. From the moment he matriculates discipline is ingrained into each and every new cadet's mind. A man may may come to VMI thinking he is disciplined; more often than not, he is wrong. Through constant tests that continue through all four years the VMI man finds discipline. And those who do not, fall by the wayside.

THE YEAR IN REVIEW

The world is a temultuous place, events occuring each year which rock the foundations upon which nations are founded. 1994 has been no exception. We have seen treaties made and broken, military intervention in foriegn affairs, and games won and lost, the memories of which will remain with us for all the years to come. The following pages give a brief glimpse of events which shaped 1994 and made it a most memorable of years.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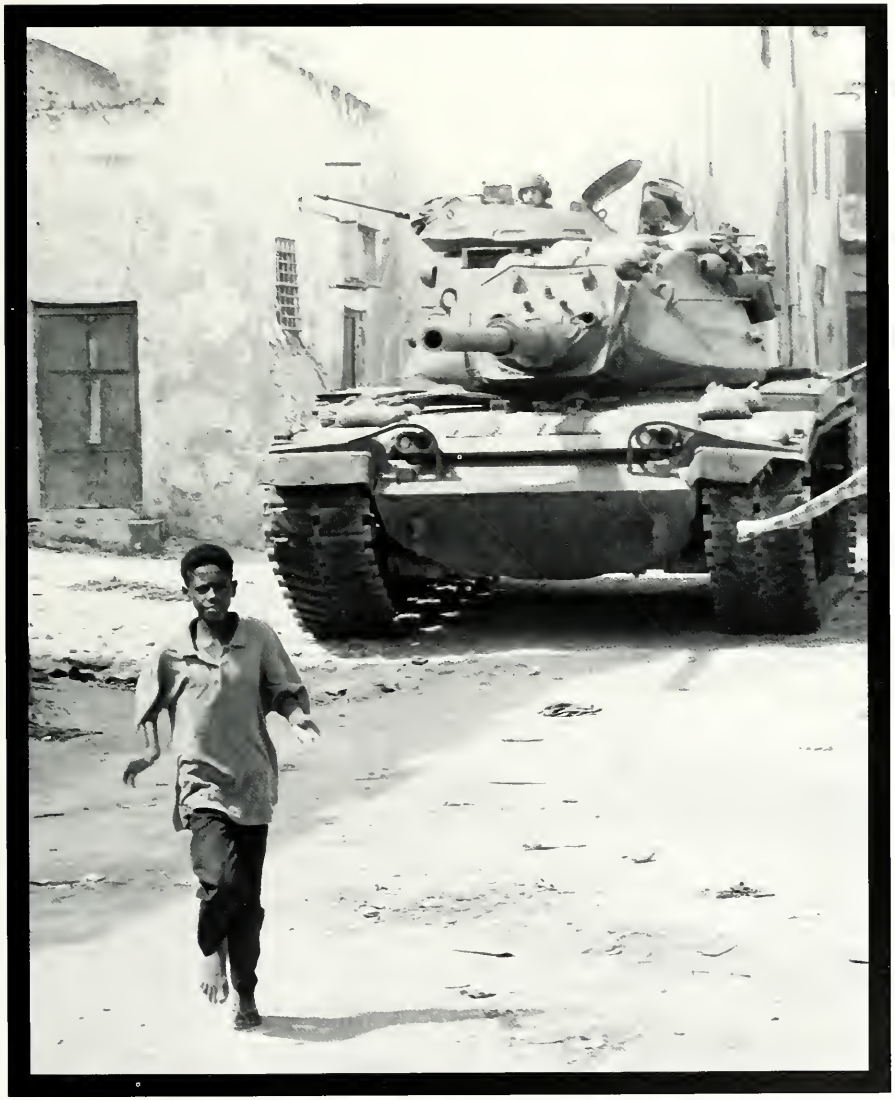


MTV VIDEO MUSIC AWARDS

STOP
COOPER'S
Coca-Cola

Welcome to hell!
NERKO

LIFE IN THE CORPS

When one enters VMI, they often expect to find a world of spit and polish, discipline and rigorous training. While these aspects are evident everyday, there is another side which the public often does not see, a side which influences the process of building the "VMI Man" more than any training ever could. This is simply the everyday life at the Institute.

Sometimes full of despair with seemingless endless tasks, and more often comic, the everyday life of a cadet is a thing which few who have not experienced it could possibly understand. Formations and military duties are juggled precariously with precious little academic time. Yet in the midst of all of this, the cadets somehow find the time to go visit friends and family and even enjoy some of the freedoms which normal college students take for granted, like watching T.V. at the PX or sunbathing at "L.A. Beach."

The following pages depict the everyday life of the Corps.

A time to be born...

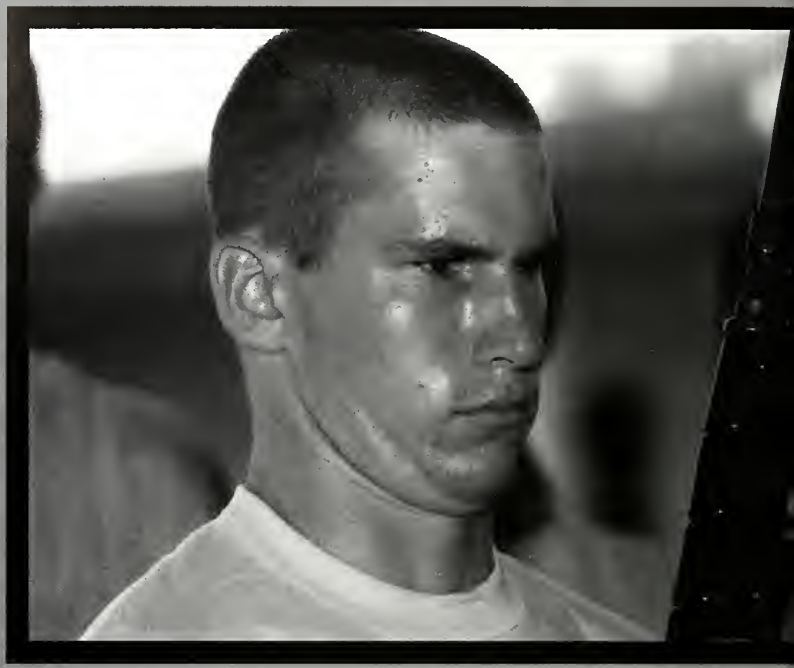
VMI

A time to grow old...

A time to reap...

A time to sew...
(Wild Oats, that is!)

A time to laugh...

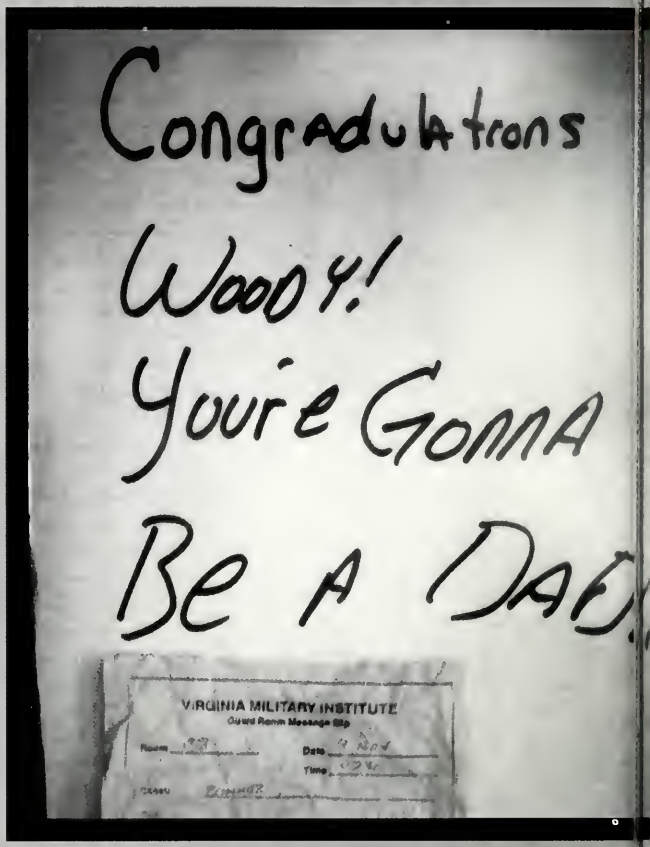


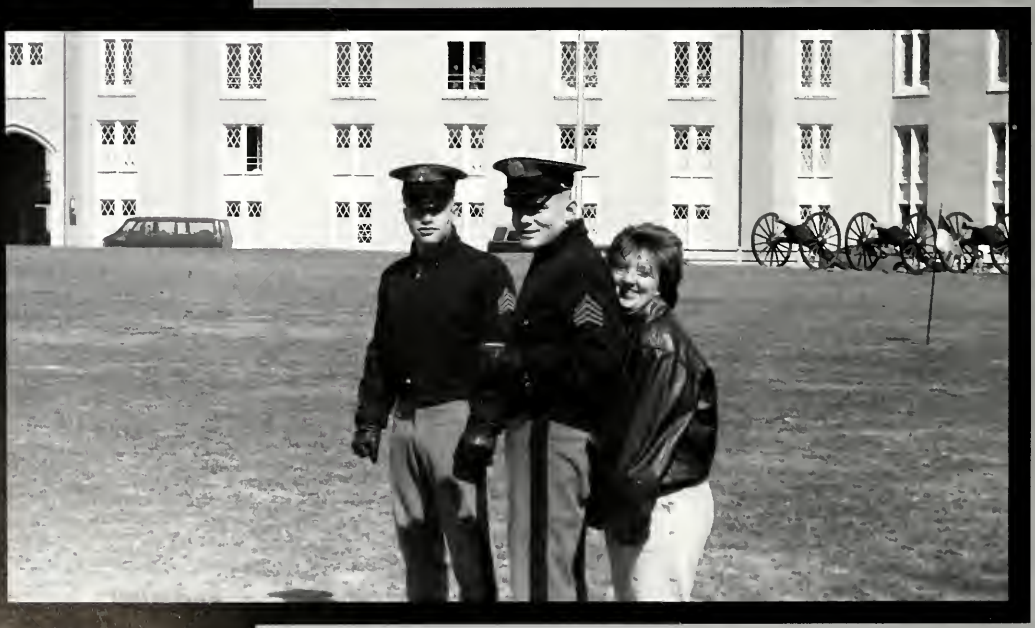
A time to dread...

A time to build up...

A time to break down...

A time for love...





The 1994 Homecoming Court

(Right) The Homecoming Queen and her escort prepare to take the traditional lap around the football field in the "Scooter-mobile."

A time o

f hate...

A time for war...

A time for peace...

(Above): Yeah, yeah, it's supposed to be peace, but heh, it's just Sills!

A time to remember...

New Market Day

Died on the Field of Honor

Sergeant William Henry Cabell
Class of 1865

Corporal Samuel Francis Atwill
Class of 1866

Private Charles Gay Crocket
Class of 1867

Private Alva Curtis Hartsfield
Class of 1866

Private Luther Cary Haynes
Class of 1867

Private Thomas Garland Jefferson
Class of 1867

Private Henry Jenner Jones
Class of 1867

Private William Hugh McDowell
Class of 1867

Private Jacqueline Beverly Stanard
Class of 1867

Private Joseph Christopher Wheelwright
Class of 1867

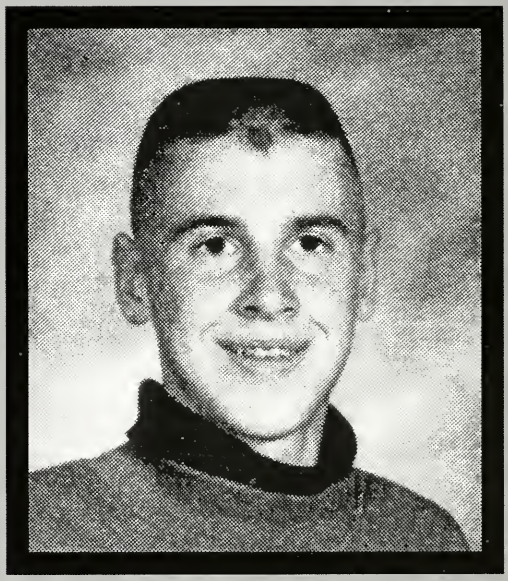
"In one respect at least
our alma mater stands unique,
for she,
of all the schools of which history makes mention,
is the only one that ever sent
her whole body into battle...

That proud distinction belongs only to the
Virginia Military Institute.
And, my comrades,
not till men shall cease to honor valour
and glorify deeds of heroism and self-sacrifice
shall the story
of the part borne in that battle
by our youthful brothers be forgotten."

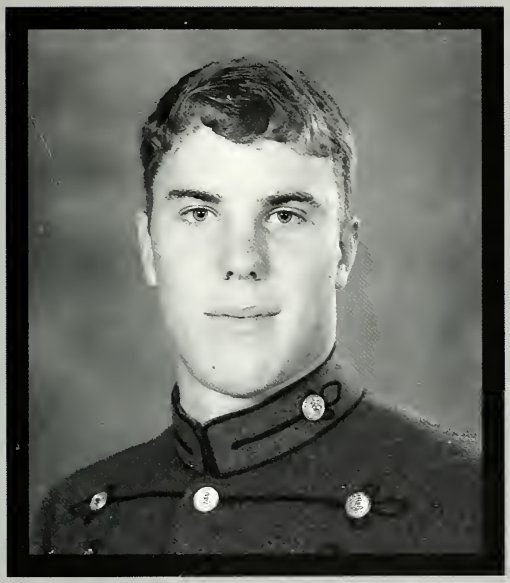
-Col. William Couper '04,
"One Hundred Years at VMI"

A time to forget...

A time of sorrow...



William Alexander Herbert



James Gillespie

A time of joy...

To everything there is a season and a time to everything under heaven.
--Peter Seeger

FACES OF THE CORPS

I LOVE YOU
MOM

Governor George Allen
Commander-in-Chief

CHAIN OF COMMAND

Colonel Stephen Wilson
Professor of Military Science

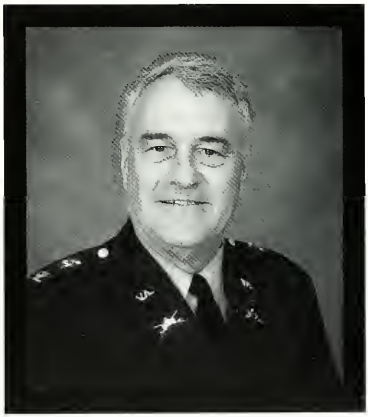
Major General John W. Knapp
Superintendant

Brigadier General Lee D. Badget
Dean of Faculty

Colonel Leroy Hammond
Executive Officer

Colonel Michael N. Bissel
Commandant of Cadets

Colonel Ronald Williams
Deputy Commandant



Colonel Royce Jones
Cadet Affairs Officer

Colonel David Vetter
Professor of Naval Science

Colonel Lowe
Professor of Aerospace Science

Sergeant Major Alvin Hockaday
Corps Sergeant Major

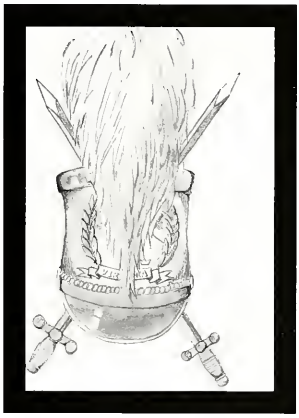
John Lauder
Regimental Commander

Scott McCoy
Executive Officer

Jason Doering
Regimental S-1

REGIMENTAL

Michael Richardson
Regimental S-2



Patrick Peshka
Regimental S-3

STAFF

Mercer Brooke
Regimental S-4

Chris Doss
Regimental S-6

Michael Bernard
Regimental SGM

Chris Myers
Regimental S-5

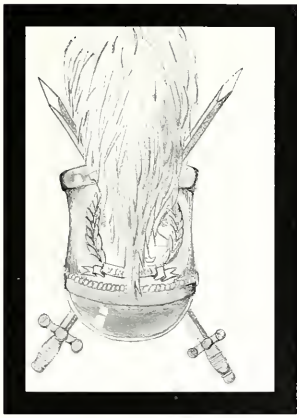
Dustin Devore
Battalion Commander

Vincent Porter
Battalion XO

Dan Turner
Battalion S-1

FIRST

Timothy Lyon
Battalion S-2



Bradley Rees
Battalion S-3

BATTALION

Kevin Warfield
Battalion S-4

William Harding
Battalion S-6

William Percival
Battalion SGM

Kurt Nitzche
Battalion S-5

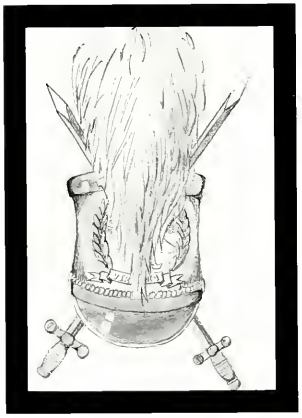
Harrison Kelley
Battalion Commander

Dale Hybl
Battalion XO

James McCoy
Battalion S-1

SECOND

Michael Grose
Battalion S-2



Daniel Price
Battalion S-3

BATTALION

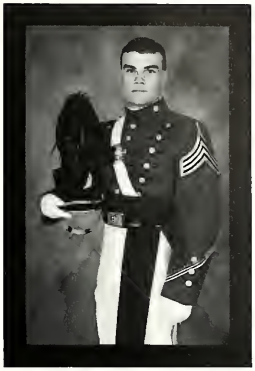
Chris Russell
Battalion S-4

Chris McClung
Battalion S-5

Daniel Labyak
Battalion S-6

Jose Pinilla
Battalion SGM

James Motley
Battalion Commander

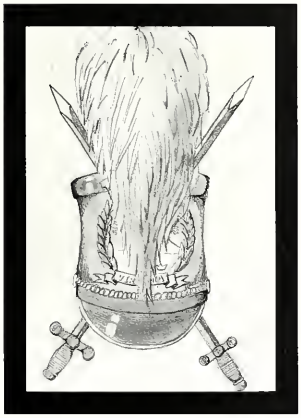


Geof Vorhees
Battalion XO

Joseph Davis
Battalion S-1

THIRD

Stephen Colvin
Battalion S-3



Martin Dunn
Battalion S-4

Clay Mountcastle
Battalion S-5

BATTALION

Bradley Stenner
Battalion S-6

Alan Dean
Battalion SGM

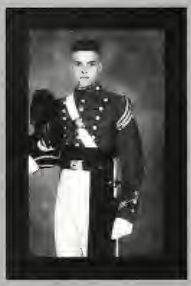
Travis McDaniel
Battalion S-5

Alpha

Ryan Croley
Company CO

Matthew MacNeilly
Company XO

Kirk Deason
Lieutenant



Chris Doyle
Lieutenant

Todd Witt
Lieutenant

David Tillar
Master Sergeant

Mark Lacy
Operations Sergeant

Brett Matthews
Guideon Bearer

First Class Privates

Hard Core Alpha

I won't try to make this eloquent or long-winded, but I would like to thank the men of Alpha Company for carrying on one of the greatest traditions at VMI. As I look back over the past year, I am reminded that my job was as successful as it was because of all the men in my company. We were able to overcome many obstacles and ordeals, that without constant support from my BR's and LT's, many leaders would have given up. I am ever greatful to Matt MacNeilly for his ability to handle the company in my absence. As Executive Officer he proved himself to be the most trust-worthy and able person I have ever worked with. He was truly an asset.

For the rest of the men in my company that will remain at VMI, I offer them little consolation. I would however, like to offer them some very valuable advice: WORK HARD and carry on the A Co. banner with pride! Graduating from VMI is one of the greatest accomplishments a young man can achieve. Stand tall and remember you can be whatever you resolve to be.

Ryan Croley
Alpha Company Commander

Bravo

Nick Schweizer
Company Commander

Thomas Busic
Company XO

Howard Disavino
Lieutenant

Timothy Bailey
Lieutenant

Aaron Scruggs
Lieutenant

Matthew Russel
First Sergeant

Michael Paxton
Master Sergeant

James Joyner
Operations Sergeant

Ball-Busting Bravo

The '93-'94 school year for Bravo Company has been excellent. The company has distinguished itself as oneof the best on the hill through its performance in ranks and out. It is known throughout the Corps for its unity and pride. It especially distinguished itself in parades by consistently being rated as one of the top four performers.

The success of the company can be attributed to its First Class Privates. They are the backbone of the company. Their strong sense of pride has trickled down to the lower three classes who follow their example. This is evidenced by the newest class who under the leadership of Tom Busic - the Executive Officer, Mike paxton - the Master Sergeant, and Jim Moseley - the Rat Training Lieutenant, won Rat Olympics this year. I look forward to returning to VMI as an Alumnus and seeing the progress Bravo Company has made. If tradition is any indicator of success, we will still be the best on the hill.

Bravo Company Commander

Charlie

Gerold Escobar
Company XO

Tom Deaver
Lieutenant

Max Bulloch
Lieutenant

Marshall Campbell
Lieutenant

Adam Bolan
Lieutenant

Sean Burke
Master Sergeant

Stuart Mallory
Operations Sergeant

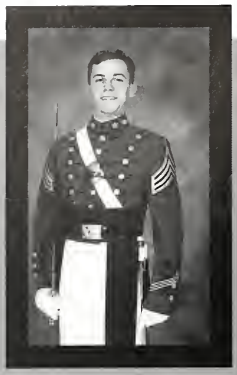
Thomas Passarge
Guideon Bearer

Cold Steel Charlie

There are nine companies on the hill... and then there is Charlie Company. With nicknames like "Cool Breeze," and "Cold Beer," Charlie Company has not had a reputation of living up to its real nickname: "Cold Steel." When I became companycommander at the end of last year, I did not know many of the people because I was previously in Hotel Company. However, this year I have had no problems (so far). Through the work of my XO, Gerald Escobar; Master Sergeant, Sean Burke; First Sergeant Corey Murphy; OPS Sergeant, Stu Mallory; and all the lieutenants, sergeants, and corporals, Charlie Company has led 1st Battalion in Garnett-Andrews. I would like to thank everyone in C Co. for looking good and putting up with all the B.S. that has come our way. At graduation you can all join Gerald; "The Littlest Guideon-Bearer", Chris Passarge; "Cool", "Bada",Tom, Mike, Jake, "Shogun", Lolo, Raleigh, B.A., "K-Dog", "Fud", George, Matt, Kuo, "Steiner", Curley-Q, Fab, & Dieling for a "Cool Beer."

Charlie Company Commander

Delta



Danny Felty
Company Commander

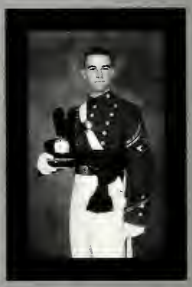
Andrew Mulcunry
Company XO

Scott Cole
Lieutenant

Donald Fix
Lieutenant

David Phelps
Lieutenant

Brian Blue
Master Sergeant



William Taliaferro
First Sergeant

Robert Howard
Guideon Bearer

Mad Dog Delta

Delta Company has had a very distinguished history as one of the original New Market companies. It has proven throughout the years to be one of the cornerstones in the foundation of the Corps of Cadets - and the tradition of excellence is continuing.

This year was no different. Under the leadership of a very professional staff, Delta Co. has displayed esprit de corps second to none. The diversity of the people composing Delta Co. has enabled us to excel in military, academic, and athletic challenges.

As company commander of Delta Co. this year, I would like to express my appreciation to all of my staff for their support and cooperation. In addition, I would like to wish all members of Delta Co. past, present, and future, the best of luck!

Danny Felty '94
Delta Company Commander

Echo

Sean Goldsmith
Company Commander

Gary Gulliksen
Lieutenant

Sean Harrington
Lieutenant

David Bruce
Lieutenant

Chris Ratchford
Lieutenant

Robert Clark
Lieutenant

Shannon Lucus
Master Sergeant

Mark Fulk
Operations Sergeant

Tiger Echo

Throughout my four years here at the beloved "I", I have watched Echo Company remain a strong contender in every major competition within the Corps. This year has been no different. Although the company's Garnett Andrews scores slipped down from last year, the loyalty and extra efforts that have been exhibited throughout the year by the rats and all three upper classes are well deserving of commendation.

When I came to the company, I found a large group of cadets that were willing to take up staff positions and help me enforce Institute standards. For them, I am greatly appreciative. They did a great job throughout the year - overcoming various difficulies and obsticles, and keeping echo near the top.

As I look into the future, I would encourage the men of the company to continue to excel and be proud of their company - it truly is "The best on the Hill."

Sean Goldsmith
Echo Company Commander

Foxtrot

Charles West
Company Commander

Nathan Rush
Company XO

Sean Dickman
Lieutenant

Chris Wilson
Lieutenant

Jonathan Goodman
Lieutenant

Alfredo Franco
Master Sergeant

Robert Steele
First Sergeant

Todd Glasser
Operations Sergeant

F-Troop

PROVD · OF · HER · FAME · AND · READY · IN · EVERY · TIME · OF · DEEPEST · PERIL
· · · TO · VINDICATE · HER · HONOR · OR · DEFEND · HER · RIGHTS · · ·
COL J · T · L · PRESTON

Golf

Carl Debernard
Company Commander

Chad Correll
Company XO

Brian Kochanowshi
Lieutenant

Robert Clover
Lieutenant

Charles Hedges
Lieutenant

James Dynan
Lieutenant

Chadwick Bourne
Master Sergeant

Curtis Webster
Operations Sergeant

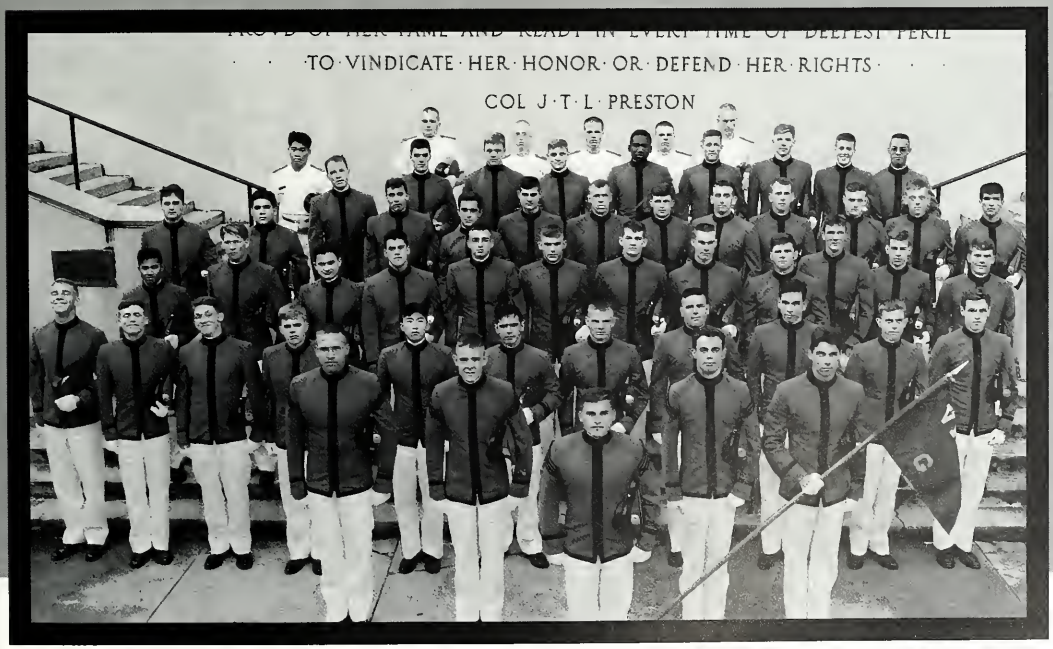
Blood and Guts Golf

The nickname "Blood & Guts" has always labeled Golf Co. as a group of highly motivated men willing to do whatever was necessary to be successful. Golf Company's motivation originates from the strong sense of self pride that is found throughout the ranks. Perhaps the best example of this motivation and self-pride was our strong showing in the Garnett-Andrews competition. Wiht fewer Rats than any other company (thanks to a tough Cadre) our placing showed our strength and ability to work together as an entire unit rather than relying on a sacred few.

I would like to express my thanks to my XO, Chad Correll, for an exceptional job in leading the Cadre and training of the Rats. To the rest of the company, it has been a pleasure to work with you.

In parting, I would like to say to those I leave behind, "Be proud of who you are, always lead the way, and set the standard for the rest of the Corps to follow!"

C.J. DeBernard '94
Golf Company Commander



Hotel

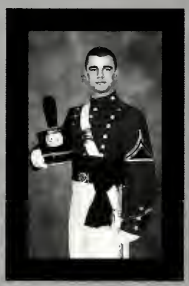
William Sweeny
Company Commander

Brian Larue
Company XO

Brian Collins
Lieutenant

Edward Henning
Lieutenant

James Todd
Lieutenant

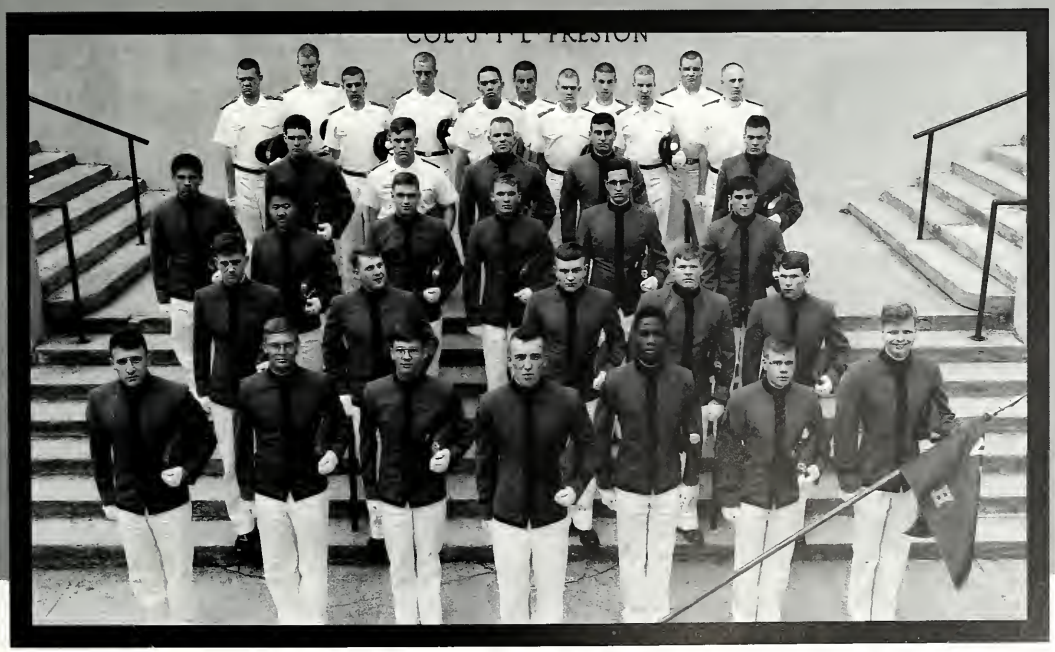


Kevin Price
Master Sergeant

Linden Fravel
Operations Sergeant

Stephan Volgyi
Guideon Bearer

Hard Charg'in Hotel



India

Stew Copenhaver
Company Commander

Eugene Long
Lieutenant

Jacob Craig
Lieutenant

Drew Bissell
Master Sergeant

John Brooks
Operations Sergeant

Brian Kellner
First Sergeant

Gregory Wright
Platoon Sergeant

Philip Townsend
Guideon Bearer

Iron Clad India

Year after year India Company has been labeled as a company of laid back cadets. But more than ever, the phrase "Last but not least" applies to our company. For the second semester, India Co. Has finished well above the rest of the Corps in the Garnett-Andrews standings. Excelling in academics, athletics, and military duties, our success is directly related to the energetic rats, dependable and enthusiastic thirds, hardworking seconds, and the most patient first classmen.

From this cross-section of the corps emerged a healthy comraderie full of humor and teamwork. And with this identity we performed well in all endeavors. My company staff made this year the most rewarding of experiences. I appreciate everyone's cooperation and hope they continue the India Co. tradition.

Stuart Copenhaver '94
India Company Commander

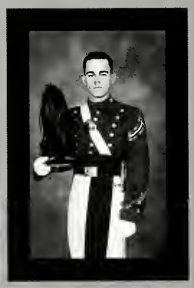
Band

Steven Kavanaugh
Company XO

Matthew Zenker
Drum Major

Jeremy Schlussel
Lieutenant

Jason Price
Lieutenant



Chris Collins
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Elvin Cabrera
Master Sergeant

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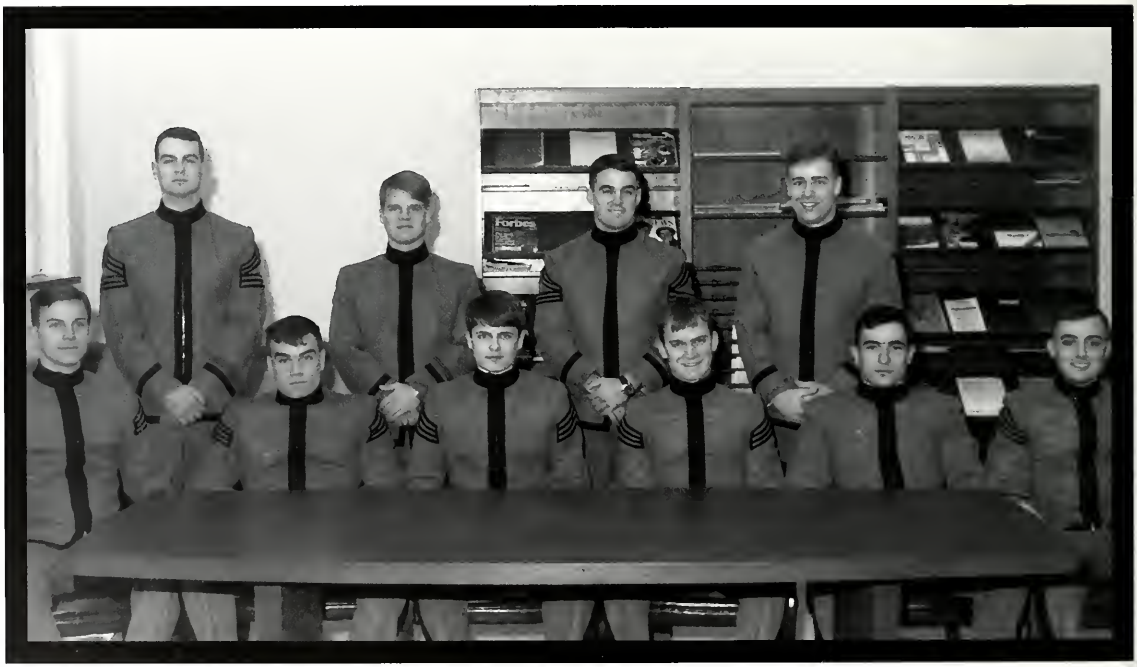
James Mitchell
Guideon Bearer

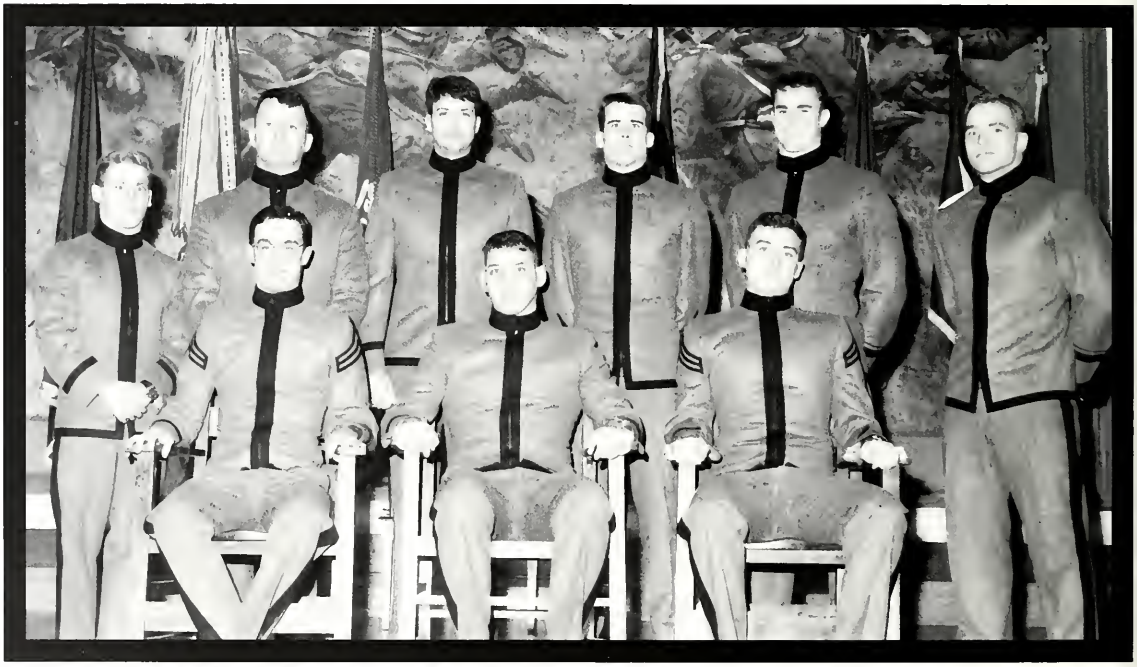
Blood-Thirsty Band Co.

The Honor Court



The Officer of the Guard Association

The General Committee



The Rat Disciplinary Committee

ACADEMIA

Study, study, study... The endless clutter of paper litters your desk, scrawled notes seeming to writhe in the pale light of your lamp. *Almost done*, you think and rub at your tired eyes. You look over to the racks occupied by your roomates. There they lay, drooling into their pillows and muttering about the various young ladies they had met at the mixer earlier in the evening. You shake your head and look back to your notes. Your clock beeps. Three o'clock in the morning and you still have one more chapter to look over. *Maybe he'll grade on a curve*, you think optimistically but immeadiately dismiss the notion with a snort. As if on cue, one of your roomates starts to snore...

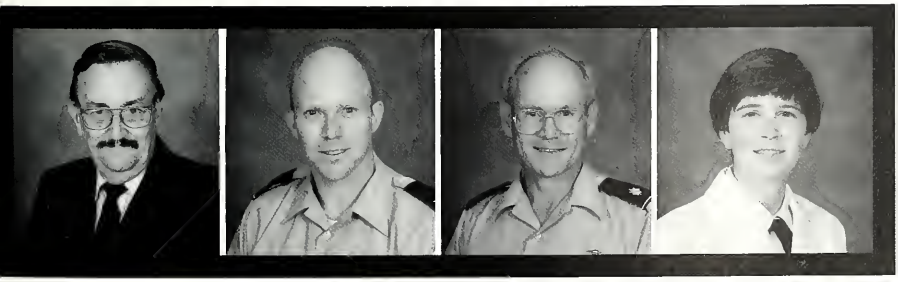
"Academics at VMI." This phrase is one often the subject of jokes at the Institute. It is not because they are easy, by any means. Rather, the joke is based on its seeming improbability. A cadets life is so full of formations, sports, and military duties that there seems little time for anything but sleep, let alone carrying a full load of classes. Yet even with these many distractions, the cadets manage to fit their courses into each day, striving towards the day they will recieve their diploma.

Arthur Howard

Kurt Ayau

Douglas Ayer

Mary Balazs



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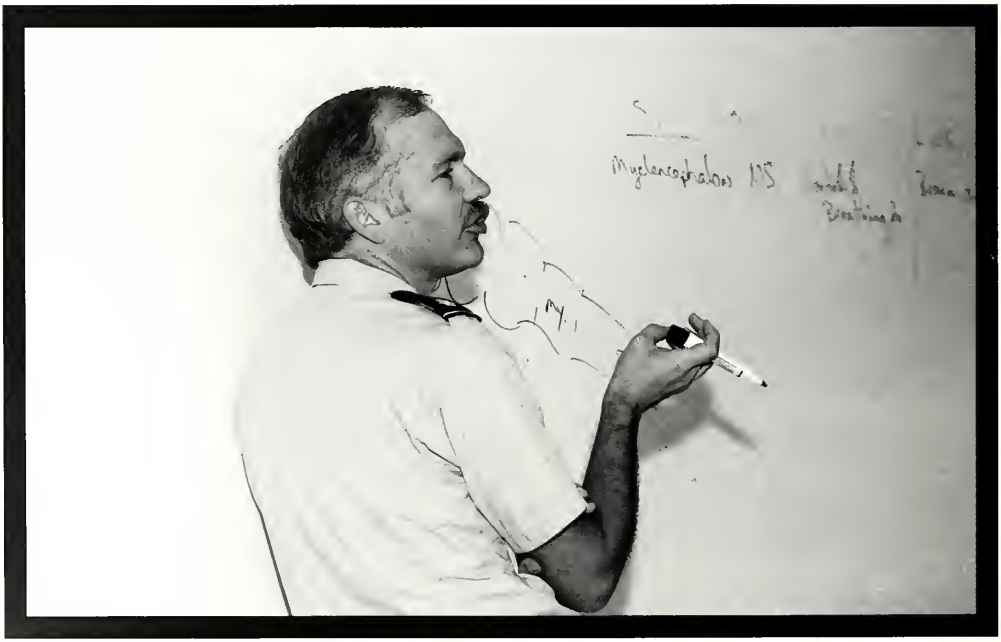

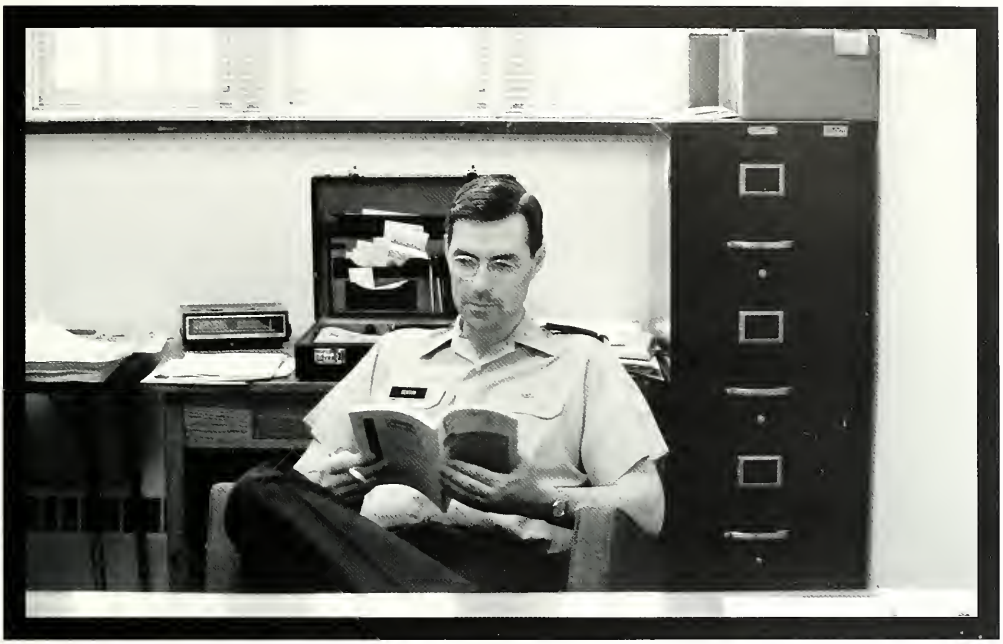

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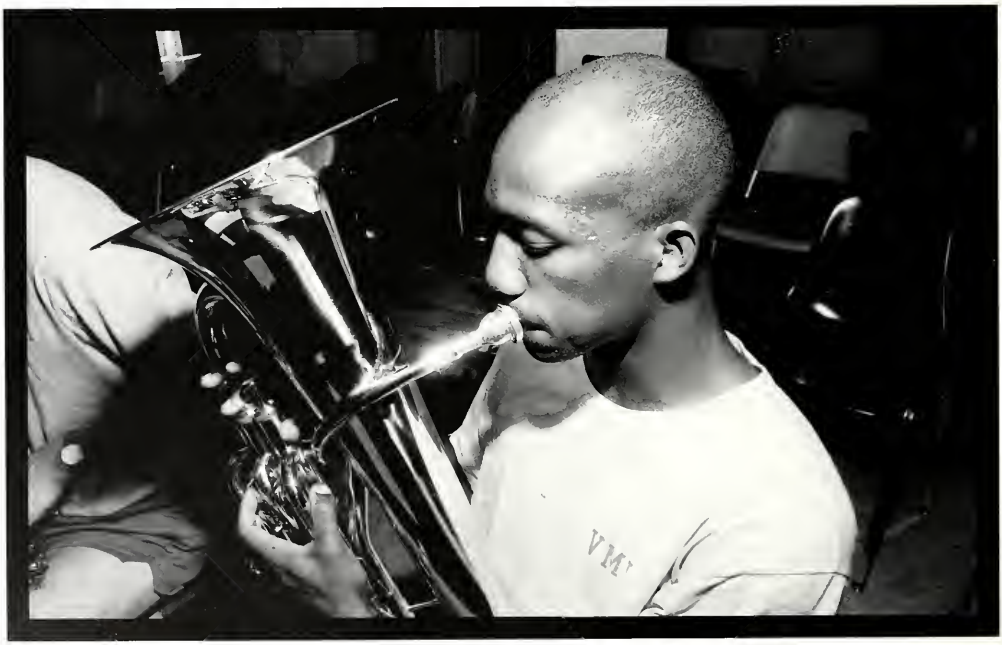

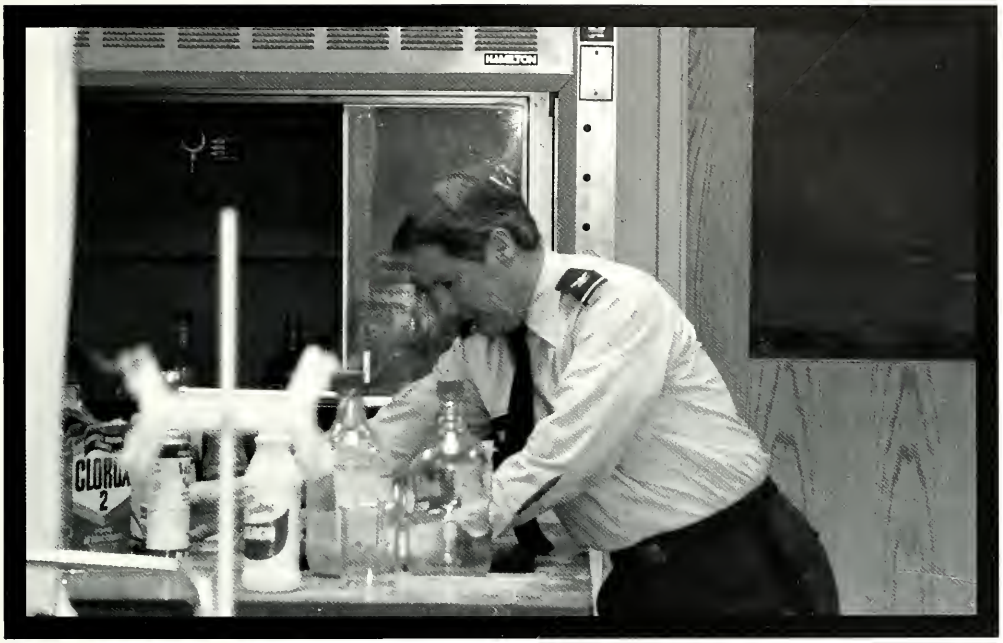

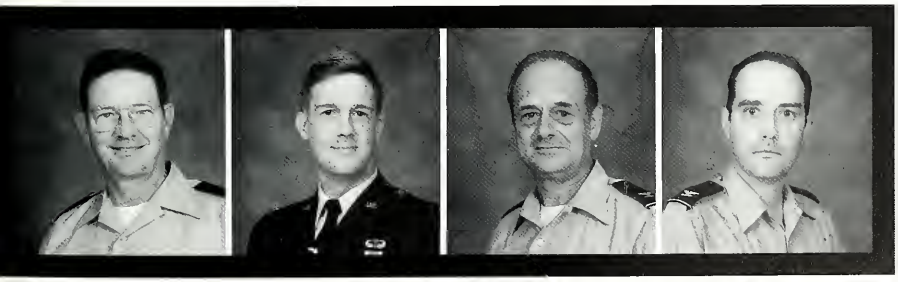

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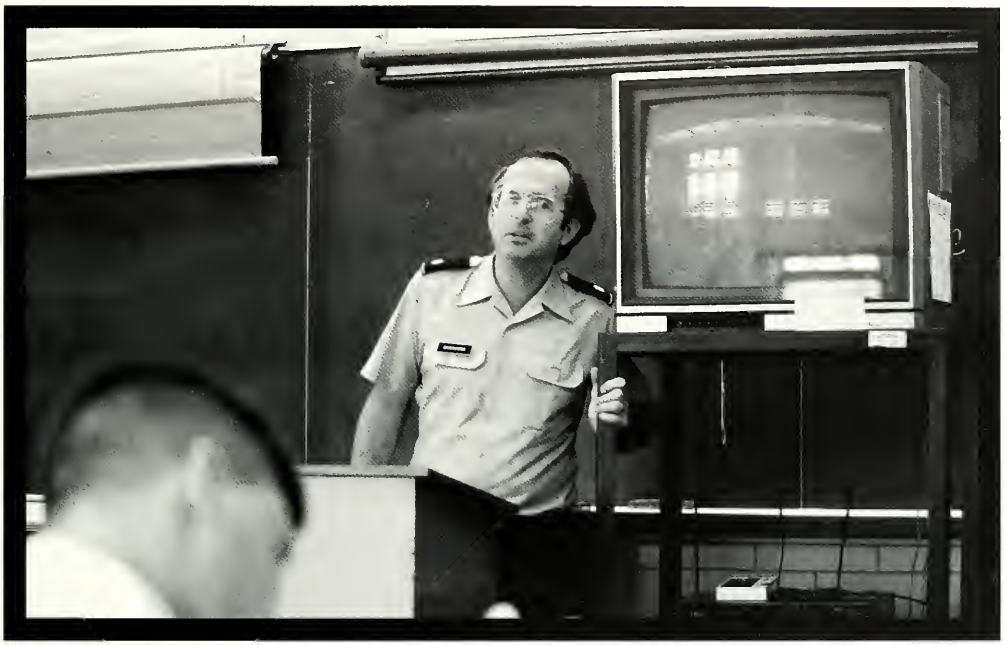

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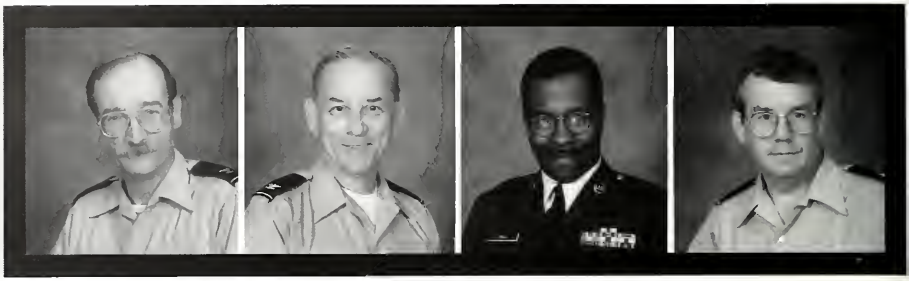

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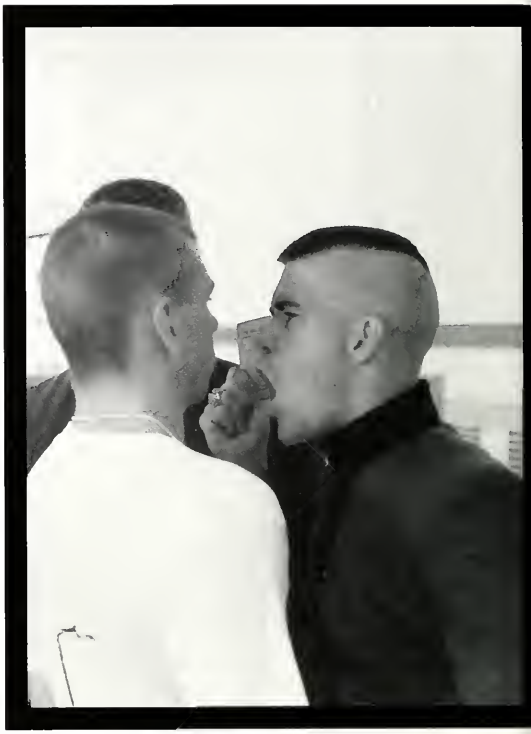
THE CLASS OF 1994



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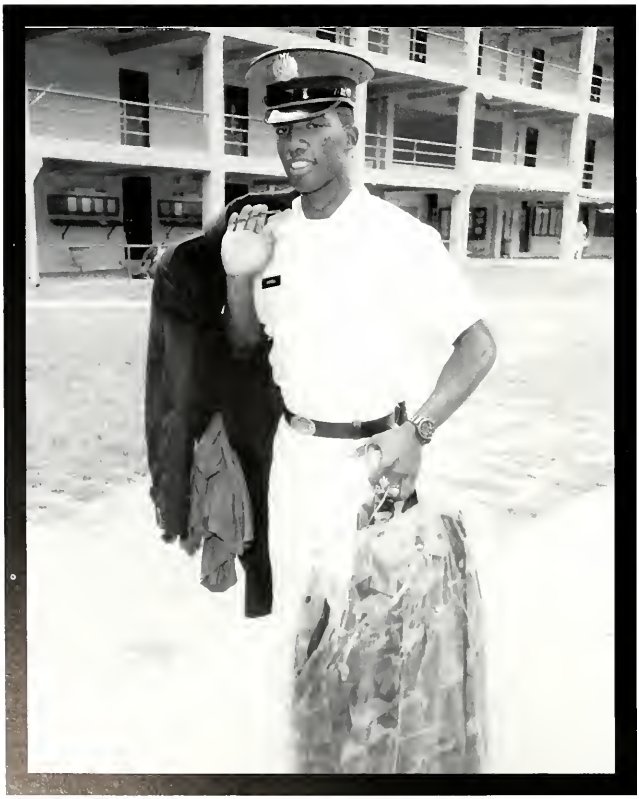
Writing the history of an entire class is as trying as our four years at VMI have been. We are a diverse group, as the following individual histories will substaniate. We have had vast and distictive experiences over the last four years at the Institue. However, beginning on August 14, 1990, we became Brother Rats, thus beginning the one common experience we would all share. The Class of 1991 launched and dominated the Rat Line for the mass of 91+3. After seven greuling months, the bonds of brotherhood having been tempered with the fire of 151 years of proud and honorable history, we were ready. Febuary 27, 1991...**Breakout!** This was a day etched forever in the hearts and minds of the Class of 1994. It was an amalgamation of the best and worst feelings of our lives. We had finally taken the first step on the lonf and arduous road towards becoming VMI men.

Having been instilled with the necessary discipline and tenacity that would be required to endure three more years at VMI, we set upon our quest for **THE RING**. After having our ranks thinned further during our third class year, the long awaited day of Ring Figure '94 had arrived. We were now marked for all to see with the symbol of VMI and our class, the thirty-six penny weight emblem of honor and perfection in all things. However, this joy was short lived as we suffered the loss of Jim Sam Gillespie at the onset of Thanksgiving furlough. Though I was not fortunate enough to know Sam very well, I do know that his premature departure from us left a void in the hearts of his closest friends and Brother Rats that will never be filled. As we approach graduation, that Sam will be there, in our midst where he shall always remain.

The day will soon come when all petty grudges will be pushed aside, any animosity that may have developed as a result of four years of such close and strenuous living will dissipate. All of the bad memories will fade away as we move further apart and we will fondly recall the many good times we have shared and will share in the future. As life takes us in many separate directions we shall never forget VMI and always have a special place in our hearts and homes for our Brother Rats, the Class of 1994.

by Andrew J. Mulcunry
Historian, Class of 1994



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Daniel Jason Acuff
Economics & Business / Air Force
"Chin-Cuff, Ch-inoccio, Clark (Kent)"

I'd just like tell the Institute that I think it's the dirtiest, worst kept military school in the country, and has the least pride in military excellence. It's great to be from, but sucks to be at. But, IHTFP! Now the thanks, I'd like to give the GREATEST thanks a son can give, to my mother, for financing my torment — Thanks Mom. I'd also like to thank my dad for keeping my mom from beating me for bad grades. My dyke, well, thanks for hooking me up for ring figure —Diana and I will probably be married soon. My roommates, hmm... bye Sean (Drip), Cloyd —I won't miss your bitching, Mike wish you woulda stayed (both), Marty just graduate already, and Jon save yourself a fortune— stop smoking. I'd also like to thank Diana for the MOST wonderful 18 months anyone could put up with me.

Dyke 1991: Heath Wells (Guard Dyke)
Dyke 1997: Matt Coley

Addison E. Field
History / Army
"Fud, Fudman, Fudmeister, Fudinator"

Hey Jerkey! - Field...Field, If you don't sweep before you mop you get mud Field. - I'll wrap a dump truck around your head.- Panther Falls - Piss Boy: Cool, what are you doing...stop...cool! - Hey Fud, the VC are going to get you. Hey Max lets go for a nice Sunday ride in the country. - Camping with Ray and Fitton. - Study Naked - The Sloth - Jim Jr. - Yes...I was drinking sir! - Rays on a mission. - Okay, I apologize...but I still think she's a @*#&*! - The ring fund - Puddin' head and Tibbles - Thunderbird on the Maury. It sure has been an interesting four years, lots of work and lots of play. I have no regrets.

Dyke '91- Regis J. Dotterweich Jr.

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Urinating in the sentinel box (4); Regimental Color Sergeant (one week) (2); Being part of every branch ROTC (all); Nixing the Marine Corps Reserves (1); Getting commissioned in the Air Force.

Ranger company; VMI Theater; Timmins Society; VMI Fire Fighters

Dikran Akseraylian
Mechanical Engineering / S.S.
"Dico, Sprout, Mr. A"

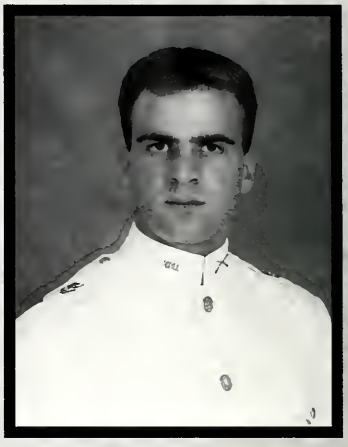
Finally made it and don't regret it. Tic, it wasn't water on my typewriter and blotter. Third class year- "Ronnie" language and country music, number 1 on the all time "Hane" list, until I was beaten by Jim: "proud Mary deep on rollin..." Unbelievable feat of a keg and girls in our room. I can't believe I avoided a #1. I wish I could say the same for Carter and Jim x 2. Break out, then came Ring Figure, then South Padre! It was an event that had to be conquered, and it was. Through the worst snow storm in the South's history, busted mufflers, dirty Canadians, desolate towns, and cold nights. 1600 miles and 34 hours, we made it, and we're going back! 10 man room had some of the greatest times. Thanks Cart, John, Jim, S, and Tic. Thanks to ME study partners. Thanks to Foxfield. Hey Cart, let's go camping.

Dyke 1991: David Hart
Dyke 1997: Chris "Ham" Berger

Clayton Bruce Altizer
Biology / Army
"G-Force, Clayreena, Redneck, C.B."

I would love to have a quarter for every time I wondered why in the HELL I chose VMI! However, I must admit that even though it was often a rocky journey, I'm glad that I decided to experience the entire VMI package. To Mom, Dad, and Jocey: Thanks for all the love, support and encouragement over the past 22 years. I wouldn't have made it this far without you. I LOVE YOU! Nathan, Steve, Travis and Chris R.(Sluggo): Thanks for all the great times and true friendships that you have afforded me. To all my other friends and relatives: Thanks for making the tough times more bearable. To the dykes of room 171: Keep up the hard work and it will all pay off. Finally to my dearest Katie: Thanks for 4 wonderful years and I look forward to spending many more together. You experienced VMI with me and I am extremely grateful. You're the BEST and I LOVE YOU DEARLY!

Dyke 1991: Jon Milner
Dyke 1997: Matt Pelton



James Stephen Anastas
Economics & Business / S.S.
"Nasty"

As my sentence draws to close I would just like to thank those who made it all possible. Mom, Dad & Jeff, thanks for everything over the years I could not have done it without you. Aunt Melba, my college education simply would not have been possible without your help. I miss you dearly. Aunt Bess, Uncle Bill & Aunt Helen, thanks for all the love and support. To Gene and Fab I would just like to say thanks for making my stay here interesting. Gene it has been a four year nightmare living with you. I have never seen someone work so hard to get out of doing work. Good luck in setting the record for most sleep achieved at VMI. Fab, may all your longshots pay off and don't forget that every gambler has his day.

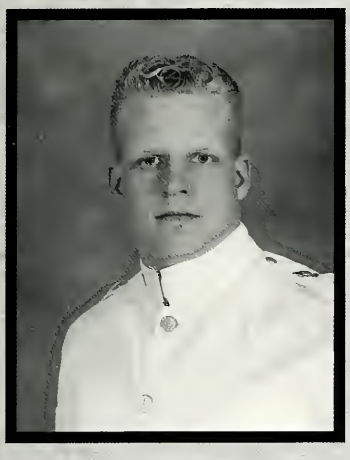
The only advice I have to pass to my dyke was that which was given to me when my dyke quoted his dyke in his first class history. "If I had it to do over again, I wouldn't."

Dyke 1991: Mike Robichaud
Dyke 1997: Scott Grogan

Wrestling 4,3; ASME 1; Tau Beta Pi 1; Rat Challenge 2,1; Cadre 1; VMI Fire Fighters Search and Rescue Team 2,1; Cpl, 1st Sgt, I Co. XO; Padre 2,1

Cpl 3, Sgt 2, OGA 1; Investment Group 1; Firefighters 2,1; Ranger CO. 4,3,2; College Republicans 1; Totally Legit 4,3,2,1; Country Boy Club, Nashville FTX 2; Courtyard Football All-American 1.

President VMI Cadet Investment Group 1, VMI Cadet Investment Group 2, All-Intramurals Football Team 3,2,1



Matthew Todd Ankrum

B.S. Biology / Air Force Very S.S.
"Rock, Tank, AnkDog, Boobear"

"Ankrum, why'd you come here?" I didn't know then and I don't know now, but looking back I'm glad that I did. I think VMI has given me a head start in life which I couldn't have received anywhere else. I can truly say it was the hardest thing I've ever done. Mom, Dad, Andy and Anna I couldn't have done it without your love and support. Mom and Dad thanks for everything, I owe you a trip to Europe. Mam-maw, Aunt Linda and Shannon thanks for all the cookies, you made sure my roommates and I didn't go hungry. Venessa I want to thank you for putting up with me for three years, If I have my way it will be a lot more! I love all you guys! Roomies, Kevin, Jason, Dyke, George and Charles I'm glad we stayed up until two in the morning every night, I know I'll miss it! Rooms 102, S-60, 117 and everybody else, you know who you are, thanks for all the good times. I'll miss all of you guys.

Dyke 1991: Scott Day
Dyke 1997: Danno "Spicoli" Owens

Football 4,3: Corporal 3, Venessa Belle 3,2,1...: PVT 2,1: VMI Power Lifting 2,1: Baldwin Suspension 2: VMI Fire Fighters 1: College Republicans 1: TCOM 1

Richard Glen Armstrong Jr.

History & Modern Languages / Army
"Nerdstrong Tyrannosaurus Rack"

I was a prisoner of darkness in a forgotten dream. I struggled and reached out from my chaotic dwelling ... grabbed the Tree ... felt its bloodied nails ... and wept for an eternity. I have found out that love, pain, and death are one, and one is all. The initial purge has ended, and I wait for illumination. At the end, man must be ready for that final Dance in which he passes in a moment from time to an eternity of either suffering or happiness. This life is nothing more than a test of the will - the strong in Faith will survive and the weak will perish. All of you priests, sisters, and friends - Thanks! John Cerkey - the knowledge that you bestowed upon me will remain forever, you were truly a special blessing. Mom, Dad, and Jenny - I will never be able to repay you, but I will always keep you foremost in my prayers. Amen.

Dyke 1991: Chris Cruz
Dyke 1997: Bryan "Why?" Smith

La Universidad De Costa Rica summer '93; Boxing Team; Spanish Tutor; Dean's List

John Wise Ayres III

Mechanical Engineering / S.S.
"Tray"

Our four years at the Institute are almost over. Suddenly, something that seemed like it would go on for ever is almost over. The fun times we have had are of the past, but the friendships made will go on forever. For my roommates Joe and Howie I wish the best of luck in the future. I could not have asked for better roommates. Howie, good luck as you attempt the tackle Wall Street. Joe, I cannot begin to thank you enough for instilling in me the desire and often the motivation to do what needed to be done. I will never forget the fun times and the long nights. Mom and Dad, you are without a doubt the best parents that I could have asked for. Without your love and support I could not have made it here. Thanks Mom and Dad; I Love You With All My Heart.

Dyke 1991: Frank G. Louthan
Dyke 1997: Brian "Elk" Richardson

Christian Cornelius R. Badger
Civil Engineering / Special Student
"Kit, Red, Badge"

Most importantly, I would like to thank my Mom, Dad, and sister for love and support, especially during my "sabbatical." Without their love and understanding, I would have never made it this far. I want to express my gratitude to John, Chris, Rusty, and Matt for being great Rat Roommates. I want to thank Todd for helping me discover the Bible. Todd, I hope you get your wish of travelling to a far off land and killing somebody. As for Joey, Jim, John, and Cool, you guys are the best of friends, and you'll always be welcome to my house. Hey Cool - I am with you!!!

Dyke 1991: Chip McLean
Dyke 1997: Jerry White

Timothy Wayne Bailey
Economics / Marine Corps
"Nikka, NT, Country, Timmy"

It's hard to believe we are finally getting out of here "Forever". It has seemed that we were damned to be here for eternity. I would like to say goodbye to all the guys who have been such good friends throughout the years. Hernan, stay out of my sister's bed. Fat Jimmy, find your TRUE identity. Howie, you'll always be a WOP! Nate, drunk as SOG? Hawk, thanks for optional and wear those glasses. Dearl, shave that back! Disgusting, Wanna piece of gum? To these guys and the rest of the Patio and the naked marauders I say, keep IT up and I love you guys! I would also like to thank my mom, dad, Pam, Brian, Janis and the rest of my family for their love and support. If it weren't for all of you I would not be where I am today and I love you. God bless DRAPER. It's time to acknowledge and move on...

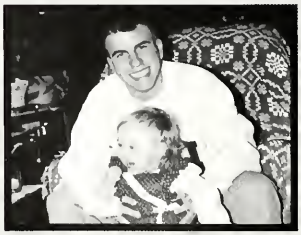
Dyke 1991: Fred Lehman
Dyke 1997: Ed "Booger" Bonham

Carter Gage Baldwin
Civil / Environmental Engineering
"Farter, H'Winn"

I don't know what to say. I came to this place thinking I knew a lot about how it worked. I was wrong. This is the only place in the world where the days are so slow but the weeks pass so quickly. Sometimes I didn't know if I would make it. Thanks to my Pop and Mom I did. They were my strength and motivation many times when I had none. The two of you made me what I am now. I love you guys, I just wish Mom could be here for graduation. To my roommates, what can I say? Dan I've never met a person I could laugh at one minute and want to kill the next. Joe, you are almost as obnoxious as me, scary huh? Scott you wormed out, imagine that, by leaving a year early. I almost missed you once. Frank, you are the most normal of the bunch, that's not saying much. The place wouldn't have bearable without all of you. Thanks. I'll miss all of you.

Dyke 1991: Brian Stone
Dyke 1997: Matt " Tiny " Spencer

Cpl 3; Reg S-6 Sgt,; Suspended 2; Wrestling 4, 3, 1/2 2; Buff 2,1



Rat 4; Cpl 3; Ops Sgt 2; Plt Lt 1; Cadre 2; Semper Fi 4,3,2,1; Road Runners 3; Boxing 2; Bulldog 2; Scouting 2; LGBNAF 4,3,2,1; "G"4,3,2,1

Number 1 Club 3,2; Illegal Car club 3; Golf Team Manager (tough job) 1; Lieutenant 1; Sergeant 2; Corporal 3; Rat 4

Fredrick Lamar Barber
Economics and Business / Army
"Duck, Face"

First of all I would like to thank God for all that He has done for me. I would especially like to thank my mother and father for all the support and sacrifices they have made to put me through college. I couldn't have done it without you. I would also like to thank my brothers and sisters: George, Tracy, Lawerence, David, Tony, Angela, and Alesia. Thanks to my roommates Chris, Sean, and Ray for their support and hard times. NO! I didn't forget you JIM. That goes for you too Johnny V. and Geof Voorhees. If I didn't mention your name it is because I didn't have room, NOT because I've forgotten your contribution to my efforts.

Dyke 1991: Tony Baker, K.B., O.L.
Dyke 1997: Saki, Chicken Hawk, Spock

Hernan Barrero
International Studies / USMC
"Nito, Cheech, Ponch"

My cadetship seems to have lasted forever, but I have loved every minute of it. Even my EC experiences, The "I" has taught me many things but the most imporatant is being a Brother Rat. Mom and Natalia, thanks for everything, I love you both very much. To the Patio you guys are my best friends and I would do anything for you. Fat Jimmy and Gros you will always be Gods in my eyes, thanks for typing this for me, since I sold out and went to Spain for the semester. Aaron "Al Bundy" Scruggs you have come along way since High School. Semper Fi.

Dyke 1991: Matt Perkins
Dyke 1997: Inigo Montoya

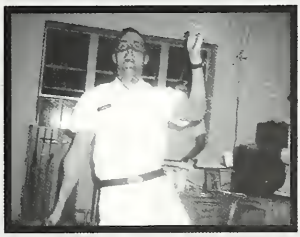
John Hamilton Beggs
Economics & Business / Air Force
"JB, B, Cool Johnny"

I've seen many strange things and God Knows done a few. Actually, the more I think about it, the stranger some things get. I've enjoyed every room I've ever been part of (in one way or another.) Cart, things do go back to the basics and I finally admit it, it was probably me who shorted out your calculator and it was maybe me who warped your blotter. Sprout, What are we going to do about the headquarters when we leave. Johnny C. and Joey D. "Blow it out your arse." Steinbrenner, I've got awesome confidence that you'll make a great pharmacist some day. To all the Ronnies, keep the network going. Jim-Jim, By the way, whose going to feed the cats. Hey J.C. Whatever happened to Balls. Jim-Jim wants me to write about how much I loved being a member of the number 1 club in barracks. Good luck Willie Boom.. Crazy, Oh my Yawntz

Dyke 1991: Dave Conforti
Dyke 1997: Allen "Willie" Williams

Major Accomplishments: Survived 4,3,2,1; Wrestling 4,3.2,1; Football 4,3, Promaji 4,3,2,1, Work Study 4,3,2

Rat 4; Cadre 3,2; Road Runner 2; Bulldog 2; RDC 2; Semper Fi Society 3,2,1; Patio Dweller 3,2,1; X Men 2,1; Gros/Fat J Fan Club 4,3,2,1; Snaked J.R's Hop Date Club 2.



Firfighters and a whole bunch more...

Jason Morgan Bennett
Computer Science / Special Student
"Vogueman, W.V., Redneck"

Well, I am finally graduating. Wow. I must say that I am glad to get out of this place. I would like to first thank my mom and dad for their support in helping me get through VMI, they were very patient and I appreciate that. I would also like to thank my dyke, Matt McQuinley for helping me through my first year, and my rat, Joe Klapatch for helping me through my last. I would also like to thank my roommate Craig Freeman, for helping me to try to get a life. VMI has given me a lot through my past four years, and I will leave the Institute a better man. Even so, I can't wait to get out of this place.

Dyke 1991: Matthew McQuinley
Dyke 1997: Joe Klapatch

Drew Allen Bissell
History / Army

To my parents, thank you for staying behind me throughout these years. To my roomates; Ed, Sean, Rich, Kevin, and Chris, thanks for three great years and the Summer at 10 Lewis Street, hang in there! To all others who helped or cared thanks. (This means you Brett) And to my liver, thank you for making it this far, it's all down hill from here.

Dyke 1991: Scott Irby
Dyke 1997: Andrew Smith

Andrew Philip Davies Blair
History / Navy Special Student
"Blairborne, Bleh, Blair"

Now comes the Paragraph of Profundity. Never have I seen so many people wrapped up in so much minutiae. I think that it's these peoples' personalities that have been the one, constant source of pitfalls at this place. On the other hand, it is the characters that one meets here that wind up being the only thing worth staying for. So here is the space to make my thanks to the people that made this place worthwhile; To my parents, thank you for not trading me in for a new son at the sight of my GPA; To the Merediths, you are without doubt two of the best people I have ever met, I would never have remained without you; To the members of the cell block, you morose little monkeys were a constant source of amusement, live well in spite of yourself; To those who graduated, left or remained, should you ever read this, I'll always remember you.

Dykes 1991: Larry Kreiser, Mike Holloway, Dennis Gwynn, Mike Milner
Dykes 1997: Matt Smith, Brian Keslick, Mike Moody

Boxing Club 4,3 2,1; Special Student 3,2,1; [illegible] Private 4,3,2,1

Rugby 4,3; Match Secretary 3; English Society 2; Young Republicans 2; Corporal 3; Master Sergeant 2;

Solid Gold Dancer 1,2,3,4 Sounding Brass Writer 1,2 Fencing 1,2,3,4 VMI Summer Theater 1,2,3 Hare Krishnas 1CIA-SOG Task Force Cleaner -CLASSIFIED-

Joseph Evans Blanks
Mechanical Engineering / AFROTC
"Joe"

Its been a long four years but its finally over and I can say that I'm glad to leave. I'm going to miss the friends that I've made here and the weekend excursions taken every weekend. Good luck to Howie in the stock market, and Tray in grad school. Having the two of you for roommates was the best. I hope we stay in touch over the years. Thanks Dr. Ayres for all of the "toys" that you provided for the room over the years. The cellular phone cost us a little too much.

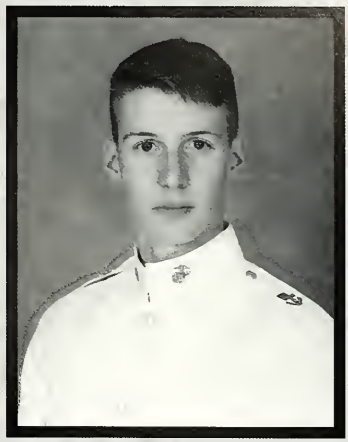
My parents were a big support over the past four years. Thanks Mom and Dad, I couldn't have finished without you! Amy, I'm glad you came to visit two years ago, you made everything a little more bearable. I love you.

Dyke 1991: Greg Saukulak
Dyke 1997: Jason Klostreich

Francis Raymond Boehling
Mechanical Engineering / Air Force
"Big Frank"

Because it was my choice, there was no one but myself to blame for making the decision to come here. But really...Was it that bad? Trying to remember the good times is hard; Ring Figure, and uhhhhh...Yes, Ring Figure was fun but there were not many other good times. Hell, it really didn't bother me because I could go to any other college and have a good time but I don't believe any other college could build unity and pride like VMI does. I can't express how glad I was to move in with Kevin(The Gambler) and Brian (Grampa) for our 1st class year. I think 75% of my time with them was spent laughing. I'd like to say thanks to my dyke Ryan. You were really a good rat. And to Da Trowers(the throwers) Fritz, Zack, Jason, Tim, Chris, and Ryan...you guys are great. Also, Mom and Dad, thanks for being there every step of the way.

Dyke 1991: Wade Sheldon
Dyke 1997: Ryan (squirrely) Earley



Adam Lee Bolan
Biology / Special Student

Upon graduation from high school I asked God for a challenge, and for my sins he gave me one...VMI. Four years later, I have a diploma in hand and a mindful of knowledge and priceless experiences. Now that I've come full circle, I wonder; do I ask for yet another challenge...?

Dyke 1991: Shay Farrell
Dykes 1997: Christian DenBrok, Dan Rippy

AC stars

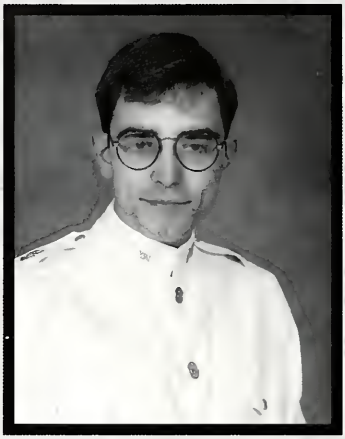
Indoor Outdoor Track & Field'90-'94/Indoor T&F Team Captain/Shot Put southern conference champion/Ashrae scolarship/Newman Club/ member,ASME/cpl.'92/pvt.'93/s-6 Lt.'94/Graduated in 4 yrs.

Cross-Country, Indoor/Outdoor Track 4, 3, 2, 1Cross-Country Team Captain 2, 1; All-Conference Indoor Track 4, 2; All-Rack First Team 2, 1

John David Bonner
History / Special Student
"Woody, Ooty, Forda"

Its been a long time since I started at VMI. The good times I had will never be forgotten, nor will the friends. The loss of a Sam was hard, but it brought the rest of us closer. S, Tic, Cock, Turk from early in my life you have been my friends and I'm glad the good times didn't stop after high school. Cammillus, the wild times with you have not stopped since that first day in 492, I hope they never do. Rob and Hans you always made it worth coming to Richmond. Max, thanks for the rides, those I'll never forget. Jerry, I wouldn't have lived with anyone else my last year, I'm glad I did, but you and Mud drove me nuts at times. And Mud I wouldn't have made it without you. "they stand uncertainly underneath immense skies, and everything about them is drowned. Where go? What do? What for? - sleep. But this foolish gang was bending onward." -Jack Kerouac

Dyke 1991: Andy Kavasnicka
Dyke 1997: Matt "Wire" McGuire



Mark Stephen Bradshaw
Mechanical Engineering / S.S.
"Flash"

Though the last four years have passed pretty quickly, I feel like I have spent a lifetime at the Institute. What I will miss most about this place are the friendships. I'd hate for this to sound like a big thank you letter but there are many people who have made me glad I came here.

Jason and Jason, thanks for being terrific roommates for the past four years. To the ME brother rats, you made the most demanding major on Post bearable with plenty of humor and Help Received. Martin, have fun and stay in shape. Dave, we were the only two that made it. I'm sure you'll do well in the Army. Don, thanks for coming here first. Mom and Dad, thanks for standing behind me, even when the grades weren't so great.

To the rest of the Corps, don't let the grind get you down.

Dyke 1991: Edward Arnaldo
Dyke 1997: Quitter, I.M.

James Erwin Bratina
International Studies / ARMY
"Fat Jimmy, Gordo, Chong"

Looking back on my Keydetship, I'm left with many memories, both good and bad. I wouldn't trade all the confinement, P.T's, and grade reports for anything. What I will remember most are the friends that I have made over the last four years. To the patio; You guy's will always be a special part of my cadetship, thanks for all the memories. I would also like to thank the Palms, Miller Brewing Co, OE, and my rack for their support, and understanding. Lastly I would like to thank my parents, although we have had our share of disagreements you have always been there when I needed your support. I am unable to express my love and admiration in words. And remember, VMI always looks best in the rear view mirror. Be all you can be.

Dyke 1991: Mike Gesser
Dyke 1997: Chris VanDorken

[illegible] 3; Hop and Floor 2,1; Big Brother Little Brother 2,1; Private 4,3,2,1; College Republicans 2,1; Circle K 1; Riders Club 1; PALS 4,3,2,1

Pvt. 4,3,2,1; Cpl?! 3; ASME 2,1; Rat Challenge Station Cadre 1;Operation Sunshine Co-Coordinator 2; ME Bacchi Juggling Team 1; Summer Scholar 4,3,2

Rat 4; Rat Training 4,3; CPL 3; SGT 2; MNMB 4,3,2,1; International Relations Club 3,2,1; Rack Champ 4,3,2,1; Honorary Member Phi delts 1; Patio Dweller 3,2,1; X-Men 2,1.

Christopher Marshall Coolidge
History / Army
"Cool, Coolman, Coolbreeze"

I can't think of anything else in my whole life that has made me as unhappy and as miserable as VMI has. The only thing about VMI that has made it a half a half bearable experience are the friends that I've made here. Max "K- Dog" Bulloch deserves a special thanks, ever since that night during Cadre week when we were both crying you have always been there for me. You've always been a true and loyal friend. Thanks Max, I love man. Another thanks goes to Fud, M.C., and Jim Motley: You guys were great roommates and even better friends. Spanky, I couldn't have asked for a better lifting partner and friend. To John, Badge, Joey, and Jim, thanks for letting me live with you and for being such good friends. Finally, I'd like to thank Mom, Dad, and Rebecca- thanks for supporting me and always encouraging me. I love you guys. Hey Badge- Are you with Me?

Dyke 1991: Elliot Assimakopolous '90
Dyke 1997: Buff Bagel

George Mercer Brooke IV
Physics / Special Student
"Merce, Mercenary, Mercinator"

I go through 4 years of living hell at VMI and they want me to summarize it in 13 lines or less! Rat year: I came to VMI, they shaved my head, took away my life, and taught me self-reliance. Third class year: I fell in love, and learned the true meaning of studying. Second class year: Got a big ol' gold ring, and learned that studying is more important than eating. First class year: Looked forward to graduation, and found I enjoyed living more than I did studying. Thanks to my parents for everything, but most importantly for your love and support, I love you too. Thanks to Erika, for drying all the tears from my face when I thought I couldn't take anymore - I love you. And thanks to my roommates, Sean, Martin and Steve. You made my daily life here at VMI something to remember with a smile on my face.

Dyke 1991: Chuck Thompson
Dyke 1997: Robert Youngren

David Buchanan Bruce
History / Military Science
"Bam Bam, Stickboxer, Brucepick"

I always wanted a challenge and VMI gave it to me. I have made friendships that are very strong. This place has beat me up from time to time, but it was ultimately worth it in the end. Thanks to Jeff and Jason for getting me through rat year. Mongo(hello Macfly), Adam (who could be cockier?), Chris (she's..everyone), and Cole(5ft6), you guys have put up with me for so long. Your'e all truly the greatest. To my friend Hingst (grandpa), I couldn't ask for a more loyal friend. To my faithful dyke Scott, youv'e got what it takes. Don't ever give up! I'll never forget Boxing, Ring Figure, and THE MARCH. Phill(a super prez period) and Andy, let's do it again..not! Most importantly, I thank my Mom and my biggest fan-Dad, your love and faith is fantastic. To Meredith-remember Natural Bridge and #202. Caroline??

Dyke 1991: Wade(Pig pen) Witham
Dyke 1997: Scott(Wolfie) Saunders

Cpl 3; Plt Sgt 2; Pvt 1; Powerlifting 2,1; Buff 2,1

Corporal 3, S-1 Sgt. 2, Regt. S-4 1, Stressed Out 4,3,2,1, Society of Physics Students 4,3,2,1, Tired 4,3,2,1, Preston Society 1, Not sure what else to write 1

Class Vice-President; Historian; Boxing Team 4,3,2(Captain); Cadre Corporal 3; Sergeant 2; Lt 1; G.C. Defense attorney 1; co- founder ASTS(Adam Strickland Toleration Society)

Robert Haywood Brumley
History /Naval Science (S.S.)
"Rob"

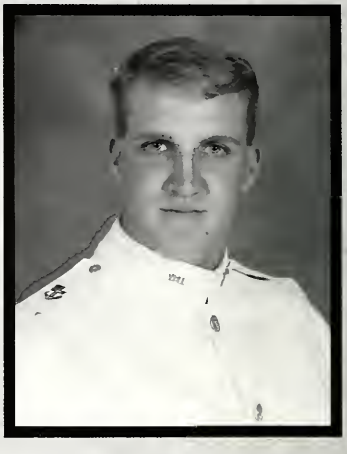
Well, the end is near and I can honestly say there were times when I thought I would never see it. Life here has been nothing but an up hill battle and I can only hope that its all been worth it. I don't think I would have been able to make it with out the love and support of my friends and roommates. Hans, Bert, and Meade, I couldn't have done it without you guys. Poo, Millus, Nub, S., Tic, Stee, Spanky, Weeve, Weed, Oody, and Mud — I'm sure I'll never meet a better group of guys; take care and stay in touch. Mom, Dad, Fletch, its been a long haul, huh? Thanks for putting up with all my B.S. Ya'll stuck with me through it all. Even when I gave up on myself, I knew you guys hadn't. Thanks for the moral support, I owe you more than one. Mom and Dad, I love you. Fellas, see ya when I see ya.

Dyke 1991: Al Carter
Dyke 1997 Kenneth Lines

William McKethan Buckner
French Literature / Air Force
"Wilhelm, Silly Billy, Little Jelly"

J'ai commence VMI "En Attendant Godot" et maintenant je suis en ma "Fin de Parite." I would like thank my parents for their support and kindness, especially my mom. Granny and Papa, two people that I will never forget, thank you for caring and offering advice when good advice was hard to come by, I love you both. Jimmy and Bobby, I am getting old too, life cycles and sauna's are our only hope...Clarke, the FORT!...JR,Pat,Quick Draw remember the GC experience. Roger "to the bitter end" Jones, fight the power and the jelly. Chris "cyberchrist" Valenti you are a BRAVE NEW WORLD my good friend, I shall miss you and your sisters. Buzz "AK-47" Lucas says "if you need a job done I can do it, gargoyles and all."....Morna, thank you for helping me keep things in perspective, I will always remember you and W&M. Ca. avance. -Hamm, "Fin de Partie"

Dyke 1991: Joe Sokolowski
Dyke 1997: John "Holmes" Riggs



Maxwell Kelley Bulloch
English / Special Student
"K-Dog, Joe, Maximillian"

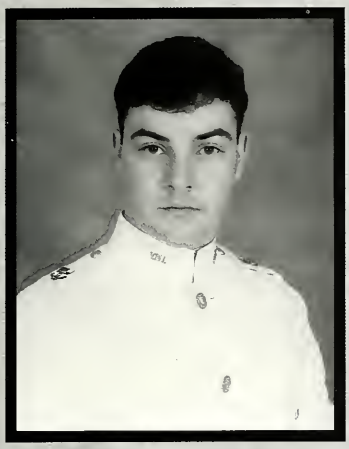
I have a great deal of things to say about this place, mostly bad, but I will never forget the wonderful close friends I came to know here. You know who you are. Special thanks to Cool, Spanky, Tic, and S, and also Mom and Dad and Doc for going through this with me. I never had to worry about anyone not sticking by me. Another special thanks to the blind VMI administration, who tried so hard to bring the school moral down so low. You succeeded greatly whether you know it or not. Oh well, what's done is done, and I'm just getting started. Don't let your meat loaf.

Dyke 1991: Chad Sutton
Dyke 1997: Max "Jebbina" Hopkins & Mark Turner

Track 4; VMI Fire Fighters 2,1; BB/LB 2,1; Hop and Floor 2,1; Roadtrips 4,3,2,1; Virgin Pvt.

OGA 1; Vol. Firefighter 3,2,1; EnglishSoc. 3,2,1; Founder French Soc. 2,1; Sam Beckett Soc. 1; TMS3,2,1; Rack Challenge Cadre 1; Private Corporal/Sergeant/Private.

Swim Team 4,3,2, Captain 1; Lt. 1; S-5 1; Ryder's Club 1; CG 1



Theodore Madison Burr
English / Special Student
"Tic"

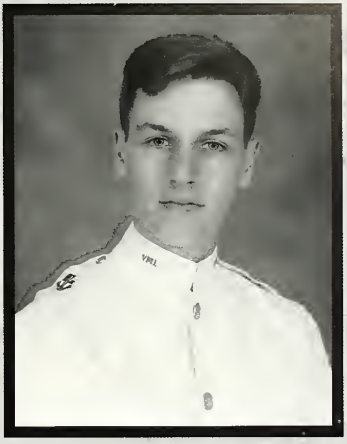
My mother once told me that if I couldn't say anything nice, then I shouldn't say anything at all. In this case, I won't write anything at all, with the exception of thanking my mother and father for their constant encouragement and those profound words of wisdom. To those who know who you are, tic it easy!

Richard H. Black

Thomas Newland Busic
Mechanical Engineering / Army
"Self, Tom Tom"

Mom & Dad- Thanks for helping me get through it all. Pook- Half our cadetship on confinement. Getting there was all the fun. I could always count on you to help me complain. Chuckalufagus- What do you know? Not bad for a couple of country boys from Pulaski. "It won't be long now fella's." Dangerous Dave- "Are you in for a treat tonight!" Say hello to Mr. Loaf for me on Broadway. Chicken- "So I said to myself, Self...." Ring Figure '94 "He's out of there!" By the way, has the stick run yet? Bubba- "Did you see those kittens? Where's my ball of yarn?" Bev, Miri & Laura- Ehhhhhhh!!! Pridge- "Tell me a story; well I don't have that much time." Grant Tye, Snod & Randy- You knew I'd check in before I left.

Dyke 1991: Sean Boyle
Dyke 1997: James Pridgeon

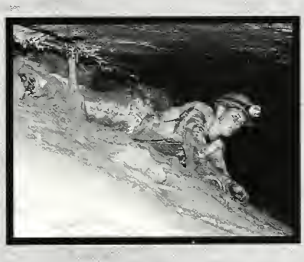


Matthew L. Camfield
History / Spec. Student
"Bad Attitude"

The last four years at the Institute have been interesting to say the least. I remember all the good, and not so good times. Rudy, we survived rat year, no cars, someone from Lynchburg, and we made it. Tom, live would never have been the same without your special flair. Cory, I wish we had met three years ago, wake up before you miss it all. Brian, we might not have jobs but we have our friendship and that is more valuable. To the rats of 94+3, good luck and stay out of trouble. Derek, I could not have asked for a better rat, keep up the grades and graduate on time. To my mother without whom all of this would not be possible; Thank You. Most of all, I have to thank Julie. You were there for everything and always stood by me. Without your support and love I never would have made it. I Love You. To all the rest, That's the News and I am outta here!!!!!

Dyke 1991: Graham R. Hatcher '88
Dyke 1997: Derek R. Fix '97

Virgin Private. Hop and Floor 4,3,2,1. Red Cross Blood Committee 3,2,1. BBLB Program 2,1. VMI Firefighters 2,1. #1Club 2. Dean's List 2. Pre-Law Society 1. CG/Riders Club.



Cpl..Master Sgt., Company X.O.: Gods of Cadre 2,1; Ranger Co.; Rugby; Special Agent RDC; Alpha Phi Omega; Smith Hall's 10 Most Wanted Hit List; IHTFP 4,3,2,1

Pvt 1, Sgt 2, Cpl 3, Rat 4. Drug and Alcohol Committee 321. Treasurer, Militaria Society 1. Hop and Floor 4321. Guard Permit R321. 10 hr. road trips 2,1. Barracks Campouts 1. Gone 1.

John Michael Campbell
Econ/Bus / Air Force
"Skeeter, Trash, Uncle John"

I want to thank my family and everyone that helped me get this far. Thank you Joe for keeping after me about grades and my future. To Mom and Dad thank you for all the sacrifices you have made for me and everything you have taught me. I would also like to thank my roommates for putting up with me for all four years (especially second class). To my friends thanks for all the good times and some of the practical jokes. "If you believe in yourself and have dedication and pride - and never quit, you'll be a winner. The price of victory is high - but so are the rewards.", Paul "Bear" Bryant.

Dyke 1991: Fred Oldfather
Dyke 1997: Chris Reid

Marshall Clayton Campbell
History / Special Student
"PIG, Nasty, Piggy, Jacks"

There is so much to be said of my times at the "I." Dad thanks for all the support and the kicks to my backside, without you Dad I would have never made it, wear the ring with pride. Mom, you are one in a million, I love you so much, thank you for all the times you did without so I could have things. Rob, Cris, and Sus thank you for your support, I Love you all!! Cris we will meet on a rugby field one day, and god help you. Cheris, you have done these last three years by my side, I Love You with all my heart. To Shifty and Miceman thanks for an awesome year. Shifty I am glad we roomed together these last couple of years, you are my BROTHER. FIG, I was honored to have you as my "D," work on your grades and graduate, lets go get another Too. To all my other friends to numerous to mention, take care, and never forget the PIG. To VMI Rugby, happy hunting and many SKULLS.

Dyke 1991: Jeff Sauntry
Dyke 1997: John Newton, "FIG", "D"

Joseph Aurswald Casey
History / Special Student
"Joe, Dumb Mick"

Dickens once wrote, "It was the best of times, it was the worstof times." VMI, whether I know it or not, was the best of times. I'm supposed to be writing a history about the experience that I hope will predict my future. Mom, Dad, and Michelle, I can't thank you enough for the inspiration, the love and the influence, you've had on my life. Suz, no matter what, we will always have318. Rooms 101, 102, 117, not enough can be said. 118, Gerald, Clay, and Charles, I couldn't ask for three better roommates. you were the VMI experience. To the above mentioned, I love and thank you all, to those who are not (due only to the lack of space) you will never be forgotten.

Dyke 1991: Kelly, Craig Streeter, Jack Daniels
Dyke 1997: Zack Ward, Glen Danzig, Jim Beam

H.C. 2,1; Corporal 3; Sergeant 2; Car operator 4,3,2,1; Graduation

Rugby 4,3,2,1(Capt.), Platoon Lt. 1, Douglas Carter France Award 2, TCFC Chairman 3,2, PIG 4,3,2,1, Debt 4,3,2,1, F-Troop 4,3,2,1, Shifty's roomie 2,1.

Major Accomplishments: Corporal 3; Sergeant 2; Pvt. 1; Firefighters 2,1; Body Search 1; Thursday Nights 3,2,1; Texas Tavern Travellers 2,1; VG 4,3,2,1; AC. Pro. 2; Scooters Porch 1!

Corey Christian Cheers
History / Air Force
"Corey"

To sum up my experiences at VMI in one short paragraph is impossible. I find myself still asking why VMI? I think the answer lies in the uniqueness of the school and the people who come here. Years from now the answer will be even clearer. I turn now to give thanks to all those who have helped me along the way. Without them I wouldn't be here today. From the physical and mental srtuggles of rat year to the academic blunders of 3rd class year— thanks Shrop for getting me through those years. Aric and John the last 2 years have been interesting to say the least. Thanks for putting up with me. You guys have made my VMI experience complete! Special thanks to my parents whose love and support helped me to succeed. Good luck to all — Aim High!

Dyke 1991: Chris Edmonston
Dyke 1997: David Hudock

Jason Anthony Cincilla
English / ARMY
"Driver, Greystroke, Trash"

Iwould like to take this opportunity to thank my family, especially my father, for making my life here at VMI possible. I would also like to thank my roomates(Kevin, Matt, Dyke, George, and Charles) and all the guys from 102, 117, 118, and 113 for making my life here at VMI tolerable. As I look back I do not see the ratline, classes, or all the confinement that Hewitt and I spent together. Rather, I see the good times that I spent with my friends. You guys really made it all worthwhile. I'll see you all at the reunions. Hopefully our clothes will be in style then.In closing, I would like to thank the dykes(Ange, Rick, Dano, and Ron) for making my first class year interesting to say the least.

Dyke 1991: Brian Markert
Dyke 1997: Ange, Rick, Dano, and Ron

James Berkley Clare
EC/BU / Marines
"Berk, Boner, Godlike Stud "

I know that life began before VMI, but that was so long ago that I hardly remember it. Of course, all that I'm likely to remember about VMI in four years is how much it sucked. I'm also sure that every time that I tell someone about this, it will have been just a little harder than in the previous rendition. I would like to thank my mom and brother, whose collective influence prevented me from joining the French Foreign Legion on several occasions. I also want to thank Col. Williams, who gave me many weekends to spend here and enjoy the splendor of barracks while marching back and forth.

I've learned several lessons since matriculation. Primarily is that I resent authority, but need to accept it. Also, I made some great friends. Adversity does bring people together.

Corporal 3; Volleyball Team 4,3,2,1; V-Ball MVP 3; V-Ball Secratary 2,1; Deans List 2;

2nd Cpl; Ops Sgt; Pvt:Water Polo 4,3; Ranger Challenge 3,2,1; College Republicans 2,1; Dean's List 3,2,1; MS III CO 1; Leisure Suit Owner 3,2,1; Road Trips 4,3,2,1; #1 Club 2; Gremlin 2; Hall of Justice 2,1

Semper Fi 2; Rugby 3,2; Special Ops 4; Virgin Private 4,3,2,1; Cadet Staff 1; TCFC Co. Rep 3,2 (BFD); Conduct Pro 2,1; All Pro 2; Ac Pro since fire was discovered; Number One Club 2

Robert L. Clark, Jr.
Civil Engineering / Air Force S.S
"Crow, 1/2 of Nova Crew, RL"

Rob came in to VMI pimpin, and went home christmas break limpin. He knew then, that he would be in for a long and hard four years at the "I". All he can say know is "where did the time go." Looking back, I can't help but wonder, was VMI really such a bad choice. .I would like to thank my Mom and Dad for all of the support, and taking care of the phone bills as a rat. I never would have made it without you two. To Juney, You have been like a brother to me. I wish you and your family to best in life. To Bryant (Mac), things haven't been the same without you. I miss you buddy. To Jay Goode, here is what I'm thinking, after graduation you and I go get two fresh bottles of Snapple. To my girl TL, always remember, everyday is our anniversary. And last but not lest, to my dykes, VMI will continue to test you, and always continue to pass. God Bless, You all will be missed.

Dyke 1991: Turner Mebane (Tee)
Dyke 1997: M. Edward, T.Haskins, D. Summerville

Richard McLauchlin Clark
English / Special Student
"Beach, Peach, Dick for Short"

Why I came to VMI is still a mystery and will be for a long time. I may never understand, or agree, with VMI's rigid system, but I got out of it every bit I put into it. I learned that in hardship, friendships are forged that will last an eternity. I know all I will remember are the funny times, my Dykes (Rufus), losing two teeth, Break-out and Ring Figure. Cursing every waking moment I am at the "I" between now and graduation, I will never deny another Keydet any assistance he may need. I owe everything to my family, friends and roommates. Thanks for putting up with my moaning and belly-aching. Grip, J.P. and Sparky, my door will always be open with a hay waiting for you. We'll be in touch, I'm certain. I think Jerry Garcia said it best, "What a long strange trip it's been"! (GBTGD)

Dyke 1991: Rufus "The Beast Master" Owen
Dyke 1997: Brad "OK" Pickelsimer

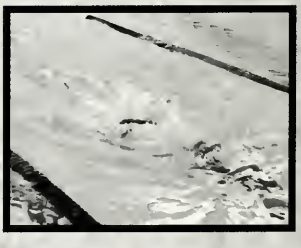
Robert Leigh Clover Jr.
History/Army
"Leeky, MFP"

First and foremost, I would like to thank my Uncle Buddy for introducing me to General Morgan, who played an important role in helping me get into VMI. I would also like to thank my parents for providing me the opportunity to attend this glorious Institute. To my fellow roomates, Chris, Matt and Kurt, thank you, you guys made the last two years here easier to handle. To the guys next door, you have enlightened my last two years here. To Col. Williams, thank for making my first two years here so 'confining.' To the Palms, thank you for so many enjoyable evenings and introducing me to one very special person. I would like to wish all my Brother Rats the best and to thank them for helping me to get through these four tough years here at VMI.

Dyke 1991: James MacClellan
Dyke 1994: Bill O'donnell

Corporal 3; Sergeant 2; Lieutenant 1; football 1,2,3,4; Monogram club 1; track 3; Treasurer of Promaji Club 2; Big Red Club 1; Captain football team 1; Gospel Choir 3,2.

Honor Court 1; F-Troop 4,3,2,1; H2O Polo 4,3,2,1; CADET Paper 2,1; APO VP 1; Circle-K Pres. 1; Eng.Soc. 3,2,1; Club 14 3,2,1; Den Head 3,2; Jagermeister 3,2,1; Fed-Up 2,1; MBC 3; SBC 2; W@L 1



Corporal 3, Pvt 2, Lt. 1; Swimming 4, Water Polo 4,3,2,1; Member of the trough 2,1.

Scott Stephen Cole
Biology(B.S.) / Air Force
"Quaker, Trickle "

I want to start off by saying that I am one of the few people that enjoyed VMI while I was here. This place has taught me more than I will probably ever know. I am very thankful to have had this opportunity, but of course I could never have done it alone. My greatest thanks goes to the most important person of my life, Jenny Merritt. Thanks Darlin', I never could have done it without you. To my roommates, rats, and dykes again thanks for putting up with all my idiocies and eccentrics. Last, but definitely not least, thanks to my entire family. We have had some trials and tribulations, but we weathered them well together. We are most of all still a family and I am thankful for that. I hope the future holds as much promise and success as the past.

Dyke 1991: Shannon Daly
Dyke 1994: Don Crook

Brian Clark Collins
History/Marine Corps
"B.C."

For three years now I have been trying to think of something truly profound to say when writing this. Unfortunately, nothing fascinating comes to mind at this moment. When I reflect on VMI I do not think about the institution itself, rather the people I know. They make this place truly what it is. Thanks to Jake, Sean, Scott, my friends at W&L, the Palms, and many others for making college a memorable experience. Of course, I owe a great deal to my family who have supported me throughout (even if I will forever live in fear of mom throwing me in an institution for the pathologically insane). I'd just like to add that VMI was fun...but not that fun.

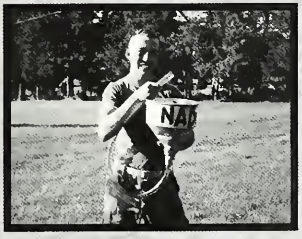
Dyke 1991: Joe Lane
Dyke 1997: Eric Ash, Jake Stenner

Christopher Shawn Collins
Electrical Engineering / Navy S.S.
"Tom Collins, Pooh Bear, Cajun Chris,"

Well, it's 01:30 the night before I need to turn in my First Class History and I'm just now trying to write it. Trav and Steve are lying in their racks telling me that I'll be up til 4 before I get through. Well, there have been alot of changes in my life during the past four years. I'm happy to say that I have a new baby brother - Kyle Collins (VMI class of 20??), and that during my 2nd class year I met a very special girl (you know who you are - Rachel). I would like to thank my roommates, you guys are the best. I can only hope that my life is filled with people who are as honest and giving as you two. Whenever I had a question, Steve was always there to say "What?", or if I was hungry, Trav would have a care package to share. Thanks also to my family for the support you have given me through the years. A word of advice to my dyke - before you kick in a door, check for a Colonel first.

Dyke 1991 : Robin Pitaniello
Dyke 1994 : Steve Cengeri

Rugby 4,3,2,1 Treas.2, Capt.1; Pvt.4, Cpl.3, Sgt.2, Lt.1; College Republicans 2,1; American Chemical Society 1; English Society 1; Alpha Phi Omega 2,1



Semper Fi Society 3,2,1; Bulldog 2; VMI Firefighters 2,1; Conduct Pro 3,2; Number One Club 3; Dean's Other List 4,3; USMC Marathon 2; $106.38 (with Jake) 1

Corporal 3; Plt Sergeant 2; Plt Lieutenant 1; Regimental Band 4,3,2,1; Brass Ensemble 3,2; Jazz Band 3; Martial Arts Club 3,2,1; Vice President Martial Arts Club 1; Mary Washington College FTX's

Stephen Paul Colvin

Economics and Business / Air Force
"Club, Papa Jo Tango, Econ Ranger"

VMI is definitely the "road less travelled", and I will never regret my decision to come to school here. Mom, Dad, and Stacy, thank you so much for your love, support, and encouragement over the last four years. I especially thank you Dad for all of the time you spent tutoring me on the weekends, when I had my stellar GPA. To Clay, Nathan, and the rest of the New River Valley Connection, thanks for your friendship and the good times together. To my two roommates, Chris and Travis, thanks for your help, encouragement, friendship, and putting up with my snoring at night. To Keith, thanks for being a good dyke, and remember to always strive to be the best that you can be! Finally to my Kansas sweetheart and best friend Melissa. Thank you so much for your love, support, and friendship over the past three years. I love you, and I sure am glad I went to watch T.V. with Clay and Katie that Night!

Dyke 1991: Richard McMinn
Dyke 1994: Keith Lloyd

Pvt. 4 Cpl 3,Sgt 2; ILT 3BN S-2; Football 4; R[illegible] Challenge 2,1; Cadet Investment Group [illegible] Chairman 1; AAS 3,2,1; Jazz Band [illegible] Ranger 4,3,2,1; Country Boy Club; [illegible] FTX; W&L FTX's

Stewart Mohr Copenhaver

Civil Engineering / NAVY
"Stu, Stooge, Goo, Nuggethead "

Whoever you are flipping through these pages to see what I did and looked like years from now, go ahead and laugh, I hope you have lost or will lose all of your hair, too. Not many of the functions that I performed or accomplished here will mean anything in a few years although at the time of this printing the tasks seemed unending and exhausting, requiring the highest level of formality and attention. I leave VMI with a greater understanding of myself, what I believe in, and the lengths that I will go to standing up for what I think is right and honorable. These days and nights of four years have instilled in me a greater appreciation and sense of value for education and its pricelessness, a greater respect and deeper love for my precious parents and brothers(so loving and supportive), and a realization that I had the best circle of immediate friends.

Dyke 1991: Chris Eubank
Dyke 1997: Dave (Be)Zirkle

Stars 3,2,1; Tau Beta Pi 2,1; Color Cpl. 3; Bat Sgt. Major 2; Capt (1 Co.) 1; Class Treasurer 3,2,1; Honor Court 2,1; Prosecutor 1, Married 4,3,2,1 (just joking); Schlivitz 3,2,1.

Chad Neal Correll

Civil Engineering / Special Student
"Spazorrell"

Thank goodness this is over! It has been a quick 4 years when looking back, however each day seemed like an eternity. I am glad I took those first few steps of adulthood here at VMI. I couldn't have done it without the tremendous support from my mom and dad. All the letters that I received my RAT year will never be forgotten nor will all of those late road trips from the lightening fast weekends. I Love you mom and dad! I would probably still be here if it were not for Baby D., Chicken, Goldy, Stu, and all of the other NEB study crew. Thanks for your help. Beth, what can I say. You have been there for me when the times were great and you've taken the abuse when the "I" had beaten me up. I Love You. Not much longer! Joe, Kevin, and Dustin, I'll see you in Moody Hall. Good Luck Andrew, Jeff, and Troy. Don't blink or you will miss it.

Dyke 1991: Brian Brooks
Dyke 1997 Andrew Osborn & Dustin Devore

Cpl. 3; Sgt. 2; Company XO 1; Concrete Canoe; Baby D's P.T. partner 3,2,1; NEB study crew 3,2,1; ASCE; NSPE; Dustin DeVore Fan Club Pres. 1

John Alden Craft
Biology / Army
"Crafty, J.C."

Well, it's finally over. I can't say that I've particularly enjoyed this experience, but it will definatly remain with me as a mental scar for the rest of my life. I did not make it through this place alone, however. Alan and Dave, thanks for being the two best roommates a man could ask for. We've went through alot together and always managed to end up laughing at the potholes that the road of life has thrown before us. I wish you both the best in life as we part to go our separate ways. To our dykes, I think you will all go far. You were good rats and will be even better cadets. Good luck. And finally, and most importantly, I thank my family. You were there whenever I needed you with a helping hand. Mere words cannot express my thanks and love for you all. Goodbye VMI, may you one day regain your former glory.

Dyke 1990: Bill Melvin, Bill Dowd
Dyke 1997: Kirk Summers

Jacob Chapman Craig
Civil Engineering / Air Force S.S.
"Jake", Jake the Snake"

Looking back over the years, VMI has been a rather challenging experience that is unlike any other college. I have no regrets about having come here. I believe that VMI has instilled in me honor, discipline, and the unyielding desire to succeed. I also believe that VMI has made me a citizen soldier with unbending morals. I must first thank GOD for helping me through it all, and my family: Dad, Mom, John, Dawn, and Sarah for being there whenever I needed them. I would also like to thank my closest and dearest friend, Cara, for her loving support and encouragement. No words ever written could give enough thanks to Chaplin Caudill for the support he gave to me. I couldn't have made it without you all. I wish the best of luck to my two roommates, G-man and Weevie. Its been a great few years living in the "Cave" with you all.

Dyke 1991: Matt Metheney/Joe Rioux
Dyke 1994: Billy Scott

Jeffrey Travis Crenshaw
Business / Army
"Monkey"

Mom & Dad, only one more year to go. (Only?) Thanks for putting up with me through the hard times. I couldn't have done it without you. Good luck to all my graduating BRs. Don't forget those of us stuck here another year!

Dyke 1991: Steve Costello
Dyke 1997: Edward Ramatowski

Dean's List; Bomb 3,2,1; Managing Editor 2; Editor 1; Army Scholarship 3,2,1; Ranger Company 3,2; Confinement King 3,2; IHTFP 4,3,2,1;

Tau Beta Pi 1: Dean's List 4,2,1: ASCE 1: Cpl 3: Sgt 2: Echo Co. XO 1: State Cadetship 4,3,2,1: Monogram Club 3,2,1: Indoor & Outdoor Track 4,3,2: Football 4: FCA 4,3,2,1: The Cave 3,2,1.

Regimental Band-4,3,1; Ranger Company-4,1; Boxing-3; Martial Arts Club-3; Academic Probation-4; Academic Sabbatical-2; Private-1; Summer School-4,3,2

Ryan Patrick Croley

Mechanical Engineering / Navy
"Earth Pig, Slider, Cadillac Man"

The only thing I can think of is that I am relieved. Thank God this is over (assuming I graduate). VMI has been a painful learning experience, but one that I would do over again.

I would like to thank my brother John for getting me interested in VMI and for always supporting me. I also would like to thank my father, b/c without him I would have never made it through VMI. Now for my roommates, Jon I wish the best for you and pam, and remember "we're all family here." Sean, I know you and Tammi will do well but Good luck anyway. Pat, Get Some - you need it. Fianllyl,d like to thank the most important person to me, Sherri. Thanks for putting up with me for all these years. Go Navy.

Curtis Ray Crowder Jr.

Economics and Business / S.S.
"Spanky, SpankDawg"

I had high expectations when I first came to VMI. In a shortperiod of time, they all went to hell. However, my friends made it worth my stay. Jim Sam, we love you. Steve, thanks for taking care of me, you are the truest of true friends and hey, keep on floatin. Weave, how bout them STILLERS? Weed, thanks for the opinion. Nub, DragonII. Pooh, dip party? Millus, thanks for the entertainment. B.A., SORRY STATE OF AFFAIRS! Mud, butt what? Woody, how'd ya break it? S, country wannabe. Way to gooo TIC! Great stories Cool! KDawg, HI. Bulk up Tank! Trash, my back hurts. Thanks to all of my friends for making VMI bearable, **PALS** forever. To my family, thank you for all the love and support. Without you, I never would've made it. I love you. To my LIL'GIRL, Angie, I love you very much! Thank you for being so loving and caring. I am forever in debt and my love for you is eternal!

Dyke 1991: Tim Hayes
Dyke 1997: Mike Zirkle

John Richard Cunningham

Economics / Army
"JC, Hammer, Chief "

Well, all that I can say after 3 1/2 years here is that I hate it, and that I've made some of the best friends and had some of the best times with these friends than I could've ever dreamed. To Jim I leave a can of dip all your own; to Joey I leave a lifetime permit to your brother's football games; and to Kit I leave a room next year without those killer 2 inch cockroaches (or a can of Raid). Hey Jose, maybe they'll have Mexican night more than once a month next year. "Little Wittster" I couldn't leave you out, before you go in the Corps, maybe you should try becoming a country-western singer. I would like to thank my Mom, Dad, Sister, and the rest of my family for putting up with me; I love you all. I'd also like to thank all of the friends I've made here (Padre crew, John, Carter, etc.) and Thank God I'm done.

Dyke 1991: Philip 'Flip' Secrist
Dyke 1994: Jose 'Feliciano' Garza

Honor Court 1; Powerlifting (capt.) 3,2,1; Rugby 4; CIG 3,2,1;TEBA 4,3,2,1; Dean's List 3,2; APO 1; Cadet paper 1; Rat Training3; Spec. Student 4,3,2,1; C.G. 4,3,2,1; Rider's Club 1

Rat 4; Cpl 3; Mst Sgt 2; C Co Cmdr 1; RDC 2, VP 1; College Republicans 2,1; South Padre Crew 2,1; #1 Club (sort of) 2; Collegiate tour 2,1; Commissioned 1; and a bunch of other stuff 3,2,1.

Paul McCourt Curley

Economics & Business / Air Force S.S.
"Hans, Pie, Piglet"

God, I hope it's worth it! It's been a very long four years with its share of ups and downs, the downs usually outweighing the ups. But, I have made the best friends a guy could ask for and some pretty bad enemies too, usually referred to as rankers or dorks. Most likely I will like this school a whole lot more than I do now when I leave in May. But for now I will go on disliking it. I want to thank all the people that helped make it through: my roomates Rob, Mitch, and Chase, my parents, my friends in the circle (too many to name), my girlfriend Amy, and lastly my dog. I really have gotten a lot of good out of V.M.I but I don't think that I will realize or appreciate how much until I am gone from it. I really don't know what else to say, let's see what happens next.

Dyke 1991: The MOR's
Dyke 1997: Francis "X" Buser

David Conrad daCosta

International Studies / Air Force
"Dave"

What does one say after four years at the Institute? More than this short history could ever do justice. Of the things I learned, there are only two that are of real significance. The first is who and what I am. Somehow, amid the lunacy, grandeur,hypocrisy, spectacle, and those very long and enduring months and years, I was able to uncover these two truths. The second is that no matter how bad things got, no matter how beaten down I felt, I had and have it in myself to survive and triumph. In it's essence, VMI was the active resistance that I personally needed to build my determination, unselfish perseverance and dogged will. I am eternally grateful to VMI for providing that resistance and myself for refusing to yield to it. (THANKYOU:MOM, DAD, KIM, JIM, CHUCK, MAT, TOM, VMIT, AND THE GOOD LORD)

Dyke 1991: Chris Bryant
Dyke 1997: Shannon Baines

Sean Christopher Dadson

History / Air Force
"Dad-loser,Butthed,Mountain mover"

"Though nothing can bring back the hour of splendour in the grass, of glory in the flower; We will grieve not, rather find Strength in what remains behind."- Wordsworth. Martin, Steve, and Merce, this has been a tough couple of years and I hope we all remain just as tight as we have been here. As I look forward to the end of my Cadetship, I can't see beyond the day of graduation or what life will bring forth for us in our successes and failures. I feel that this feeling relates to another writer I am truly inspired by, Kerouac. I will leave with another quote that imitates our feelings as we depart from one another and enter the real world, "Everything was falling apart... 'Our' stay in 'VMI' was coming to an end." "..there was nowhere to go but back." Back to the real world. Good Luck! PS It moved, I swear!

Dyke 1991: Jim Blanks
Dyke 1997: Larry Vandergrift

Special Student Lab 2,1; All pro 4,3,2; 3-time #1 club; Lacrosse 4; CG 4,3,2,1; RDC slut 4

Pvt. 4,3,2,1; VMIT 4(Pres.), 3; Dean's List 4,3,2,1; BIG BROTHER3; PADE 3; College Republicans 4,3,2; Pre-Law Society 3,2;

Private 4,2,1; Sounding Brass 2; Cadet staff 2,1; Editorial Editor, Cadet 2,1; Wishing I was never here 4,2,1; Preston Society 1; Mills, forced beer runs past Williams house 2,1 Crash

Brian Sean DaRin
English / Special Student
"Bud"

Wow! Five Years:
The race is not always to the swift,
but to those who keep on running.
Thanks Mom, Dad, Meg, Moe,
And Coach Doug and Sarah Bartlett.

Dyke 1990: Tim "Pretty Boy" Feagens
Dyke 1996: Ricky Parrish
Dyke 1997: Brian "Karate Man" Lesnick

Alden Carter Davis Jr.
History / Navy Special Student
"Dawg, Doug"

I look back at VMI and see that it was totally worthless, except for the friends I made. Without you guys I wouldn't have made it. I'll run out of space but I'll try to fit in the memories. Rat year: John B.& Travis M., you were the best rat roommates. Third class year: Jim(151) my confinement buddy, The #1 was great, so was the 10-6-30 and Col. Williams stat. Hope you don't "jump" around too much. The ten man room was great, Tic & "S",can't forget the times we had. Keg in the room on barracks confinement. Dico "lil'st Top" John B.& C. RM. 101, Gerald, I can't say enough. Dumb Mic, Charles, Clay, Stu's Rm., Snake & Jimmy, you all gave me memories I won't forget. I owe my cadetship to all of you. Finally Geof "sucks to be us" Voorhees, I couldn't have made it without you. Mom & Dad I owe you the world. Baldwin & Foxfield live forever.

Dyke 1991: Dan Cadigan
Dyke 1997: Eric Jones

Joseph Douglas Davis III
Economics and Buisness / Army
"Lumbe, JD, Joey"

When a man can look back and be proud of what he has accomplished and be proud of the choices he has made, then there is no problem seeing a bright future ahead. Just today I was asked, "Are you glad you made the decision to go to the "I" ?" I said, "Of course!" It is a crazy place to be but somebody has to keep the pride and tradition alive! And now for the thankyou's, drum roll please? Thank God for blessing me with the ability to play college football, a dream come true. I thank Mom, Dad, Dave, and my bro and best friend Tim. Thanks to 321, 204, and 134. Thanks to Johnny C., Cool-Kid, Red, The Evil Magician, and Pete. Thanks to my boys from Pulaski. Thanks to my homeboys Hoss and Jackie B. And finally, my last thankyou goes out to all the ladies who put up with me -- love ya. Goodluck E-money, so long! I'm off to do my duty for my country.

Dyke 1991: Todd King
Dyke 1997: Eric "E-money" Woolley

Hop&Floor; 2,1 College Republicans, 2,1 Firefighters, 3, Cadre Cpl. 2, Cadre 1st Sgt. 1, Cadet Staff, 1, "saw the light" 1st class PVT! #1 Club.

Major accomplishments: Echo Rat 4, Corporal 3, First Sergeant 2, 3rd BN S-1 Lt 1, Desert Storm Rat 4, Football letter 3, #1 Club 3, Big Red Club 2,1, Monogram Club 2,1

Kirk Matthew Deason
English / Marine Corps
"Sleason"

Well, I'm writing this in the middle of November. Hopefully by the time this yearbook comes out, I'll still be around. People say that I'll be glad I went here, that I made the right choice, etc. Oh well, I made the choice and then I was stuck. I came here to be a Marine Officer and that's what I'll be leaving as so at least I accomplished my main goal. As I look back on my four years, I probably only had very much fun my last two years and especially this year. I suppose I am minoring in Joy Maximazation and trying to stay out of trouble. Oh, and I bought a motorcycle--that didn't make my parental units too happy, but what the hell. Thanks to them I am graduating, they made a lot of sacrifices to pay for this place and the least I can do is graduate. I'm out of here. Don't take anyone too seriously.

Dyke 1991: Mike Dudas
Dyke 1997: J.O. Edelblute III (Beetlejuice)

Deaver, L. Thomas
Army / International Studies
"Bush, Spud, HUA, LT, Deav"

A long time ago in a different world, I made an important decision to come to VMI. I wonder if the price was worth it, but only time will tell. I do know that I have learned a lot from here, unfortunately mostly what not to do when leading. This place is what you make of it, and I have used it as a chance to study myself and how I want to lead. I hope my dykes learned something of value from me. I wish them the best of success in life. Matt "BA", Rudy, Duckie, and Cory thanks for the memories, I will miss y'all and the time gone past. Never forget and stay in touch. Mom and Dad, Thank you for your love and wisdom. I never would have made it these 4 years if it had not been for your support. To my other friends, Good luck in life. If ever we meet again, let's sit down for a beer together and remember the days of high adventure.

Dyke 1991: Stephen Herzog '90, Mike Robertson '91
Dyke 1997: Jeremy Macrigeanis

Carl Joseph DeBernard, Jr.
Economics & Business / S.S.
"C.J., Lil Rock, Buddha

Conception-14AUG90 Birth-27FEB91 Youth-30OCT93 Manhood-21MAY94 As my life at VMI comes to a close all the memories & experiences can be summed into 1 word--PRIDE! Pride in a path few have taken & in the honorable men to which I've been associated. Mine is shown in many symbols: the mud from Break-Out Hill where Mother I's children are born; the ring we wear to show our bloodline; the diploma to show we have looked adversity in the eye and watched it crumble under our stare. As Mother I prepares to push me from the nest I know I'm ready for I've become a VMI Man! HP&GS thanks guys you've been true friends & the brothers I never had. Keri thanks for always being there as my time at VMI comes to a close our life together begins I Love You! Mom & Dad thanks for all your love & support w/o you it couldn't have been possible I love you both!

Dyke 1991: Jim Wanovich
Dyke 1997: Joe Steele

Track/Cross Country: 4,3. He Man Woman Haters Club 4,3,2,1. IHTFP 4,3,2,1. Semper Fi Society. Non-Virgin Pvt 4,3,2,1. Least serious Bulldog Participant 2,1. Pines Patrol 2,1. Dean's List 4. 2.0 & Go 3,2,1.

Swim Team 4; Ranger Challenge 3,2,1; TS & TL(Gold) 2,1; Private 4,3,2; Lieutenant 1; Dean's List 3,2,1; Procrastinator Club 4,3,2,1; BOHICA 4,3,2,1; Habitual Habitant of RM 39 4,3,2,1

Rat 4; Cpl 3; Sgt 2; Capt 1; Indoor Soccer 4,3; TEBA 3,2; CIG 2,1; Dean's List 4,3,2,1; PC94 3,2,1; Weightroom 4,3,2,1

Christopher Gus Demetriades

History / Army Special Student
"Gus, Half-Pint"

Congratulations to all my BRs in the class of 1994. I wish you the best of luck in the future. Thanks Mom & Dad for your patience and understanding. See the rest of you next year!

Dyke 1991: Scott Irby
Dyke 1997: Greg Reynolds

Dustin Harr DeVore

History / Marine Corps
"Binky"

I came to VMI thinking it was the greatest school on earth and I leave here, believe it or not, with the same opinion. However, I do leave with a certain sense of frustration and dismay at how far the "I" has slipped. 95- It's not too late! No one can make it through here alone. Mom, you're the greatest. Enough said. BR Lanier, were we bad luck or what? Living with Pa Bailey and Guns taught me one thing. Beware of hicks bearing gifts. Rm. 232 showed me to never run a marathon again. Gunny "Highway" Reed, you're the hardest man in the Corps. Semper Fi. Phil, thanks for the Big Country CD and for being a BR. Buck, remember, if she's 18 your clean. VMI Marines, see you in the fleet. RDC, keep the tradition alive! Lt.Col. Magee-Thanks, you're one of the "I"'s best friends. Chad, Troy, Jeff-good luck!

Dyke 1991: Dan Buckley
Dyke 1997: Troy Mosby, Jeff Matthew

John Edward Dierling

Modern Languages / Air Force
"JED, Big John, J.D."

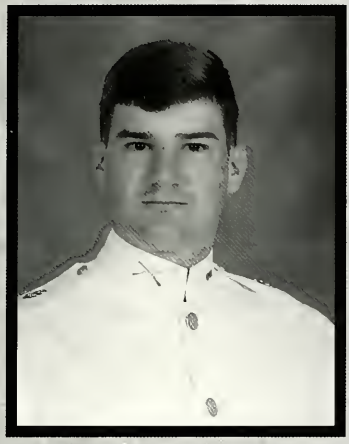
They say that the hardships that you have to put up with is what builds character in a man. Well, I guess I must be a real character now to have gone through VMI! When I came to VMI, I came not knowing what to expect. Boy was I shocked to see what was offered to me for the four years of my life that everyone states are supposed to be the best four years of your life. I can not honestly say that these have been the best four years of my life, but I can say that from going to VMI I have learned that I can make the best of times out of almost situation! Now that it is finally over, I must thank all of those who have been with me and who have helped me on my way. Thanks most of all to my family, to Aric and Cory, and all the other great friends I have made while doing my time at the Institute.

Dyke 1991: Dennis Bundens
Dyke 1997: Mike Belenky

Rat-4; Corporal-3; Work-Release Program-2; Conduct Probation-1; Private-1; Summer Scholar-4, 3

Cpl. 3; Master Sgt. 2; 1st Bn. C.O. 1; RDC 2, Pres. 1; Semper Fi 4,3,2, V.P. 1; Gunny Reed's Last Bulldog 2; Col. Bissell office regular 1; OGA suspect 3,2,1 (1 conviction); Chad Correll's idol 4,3,2,1

Volleyball Team 4,3,2,1; Dean's List 3,2,1; Pi Delta Phi National French Honor Society; French Society 2,1; Virgin Private.



Howard DiSavino Jr.
Economics & Business / Army S.S.

I am so glad it's over but I wouldn't trade the memories of the past four years for anything. Joe, I'm glad we were roommates and were able to become good friends. Tray, slow down boy your going to get a ticket. I'm glad we became roommates. Bill R, how could I have let you talk me into this...Ha Ha! Hang in there!!! I want to thank my family for all the encouragement and support throughout my cadetship. Behind every good man there is a better women. I am fortunate to have three incredible women behind me in whatever I do. If it wasn't for you, Mom, I never would have made it here. Thanks Martinah for all the food and visits when I was a RAT. Thanks Karen for providing me with two beautiful nephews to carry on the VMI tradition. Last, but not least, I want to thank God for the strength and courage to deal with the everyday challenges I face.

Dyke 1991: William B. Smith
Dyke 1997: Danny Roach

Joseph Charles Dobson III
Biology / Air Force
"Skelator, Dobman, L.L."

The junx is finally over. I don't care if I ever come back. Though the journey down the so called "road" was long and bumpy, the friends that I made along it will last a lifetime. Aaron it would have never been the same without you. The things we did I probably would have never done in a million life times. Skip and Go Naked will never be forgotten. The Patio, what more can be said, we had some great times. Gros, Fat Boy, Neto, Slovedog, JR, EZ, and the rest, it is going to be different not seeing you all ever night. Thanks Mom and Dad, without you all none of this would have never been possible. Yaaa cha, cha, cha! The biology experience will never be forgotten, we had some messed up times. Where are we going? Booookee! The same goes for the Nerd Herd, you all will always be a piece of that bumpy road. Are "Blind Melons" forever? Aaron you will be the first!

Dyke 1991: Rodney Edwards
Dyke 1997: Lyle "Smoothy" Peters

Jason Eric Doering
Electrical Engineering / Navy
"Baby D"

I have 874 characters to summarize the last three and a half years of my life. Isn't that a typical VMI deal? Here goes...I chose the road less traveled, matriculated, broke-out, ate it as a third, got a ring, got a rat, got a diploma, got the——out! To the members of the 618 Study Club, best wishes and I hope you all go far in engineering and in life. Jason, sorry about flaming you every night after company room third class year (but I enjoyed it). Mark, thanks for being level-headed and playing devil's advocate when I got on my psychotic trips. Joe, does TTL ring a bell? It works better with your eyes open. Chad, on the scale of hardness, you are a diamond. Julie, I never would have made it without your support and love. They told me we would never make it through the "I", but together, we pulled through.

Dyke 1991: Chris Nunn
Dyke 1997: Thadeus Wehunt

Member of the Cadet Investment Group; Special Student of Course!!!

Pole Vaulter, Indoor And Outdoor track 4321, herbarium 1, The Patio, Virgin First Class Private

Rat Training 4,3,1; Tau Beta Pi 2,1; Eta Kappa Nu 2,1; Psycho 3; Operation Fiasco Point Man 2; CPL 3, BSM 2, REG S-1 1; World-Haters' Club with Mike Richardson 3,2,1.

Christopher Scott Doss

Mechanical Engineering / Army
"Dossman, Shifty, Crafty, Lefty"

I really don't know what to say, except I never thought this day would come. It could not have been done if it wasn't for my wonderful family - I think they feel as if they went through the ratline with me, and in a sense they probably did. Sam and Donnie-hang in there guys, believe me it will all be worth it in the end, but right now on your face-just kidding. Thanks for everything Wacky! ME DEPT.-Bye Mrs. Parrent, I will miss you all. BR's - friends for life! ROOMIES!!! - There is just something about your ROOMIES that helps to make this place bearable. And there must be something said about living with the PIG for two years. But, those were the two most enjoyable years of my cadetship. Pig and Brian, it's been great guys! Couldn't have done it without you-friends forever! So long and good luck to everyone and also, God bless our team and VMI!

Dyke 1991: James Davis(Wacky)
Dyke 1997: Sam Daniels, Donnie Johnston

George Stephen Dowdy

Economics & Business / Air Force
"S"

As my continuous four year struggle nears the finish line, I'd like to take a moment and thank those that made it all possible. Dad, if it wasn't for your influence I may have found myself astray. Mom, thanks for having faith and patience. Hugh, thanks for all the constructive criticism. Angie, thanks for all the healthy advise and support. Timothy, thanks for being a little brother and all that comes with the territory. Granny and Papa, thanks for your generous gifts and the steady supply of letters. And, as for my friends, old and new, it's been a very uncivilized experience, and I'm thankful for you all. "If there's a price for being me, then that's what I'll have to pay." (Aaron Tippin)

Dyke 1991: Patrick Krug
Dyke 1997: Fernando Duran

Charles Lowell Downs Jr.

History / Navy
"Meathead, The Great Bolo, Chas"

I'm writing my history as I started VMI...confused. As I think of my past four years I can think of nothing but great times. I have forgotten marching P.T.s in the rain and listening to the Little Rascals while serving room confinement. I think of the love and devotion my parents and my sister Elizabeth have shown me..., and the great advice Christian gave me. To Kevin, one for the Class of 1990.. You got me through. Ro what could I possibly write but Thanks. Wayne where are you? Ed, we've been through a lot from 8th grade till now...Thanks. I will always remember the great memories from 338. To my 1st Class roommates: Joe, Gerald, and Clay you guys are the best, you made my first class year. To Russ I'll see you in the airport. To Stu...GGUU! To Brian and Timmy, you left way to early! To room 117,102,101 and everyone else; we had a great time.....TAKE CARE!

Dyke 1991: Kevin Gallagher '90
Dyke 1997: At the bus station

Regimental S-6, Three-year letterman Varsity football, Tau Beta Pi Honor Society, Dean's List, President-National Society of Professional Engineers

BBLB Program 2,1. Virgin Private. VMI Firefighter 2,1. Hop and Floor 4,3,2,1. Dean's List 3. Harley Hinton Scholarship 4,3,2,1.

Private 4,3,2,1; Cadet Program Board 2, President 1; Parade Announcer 1; Texas Tavern Traveller 3,2,1; Mr. Beam's Football Guest 3,2,1; Scooters Porch Party 1; Crows Nest 3,2

Christopher Lawrence Doyle
English / Navy
"Doyle, Derl Jeremy"

It is hard to express in this short space that which could fill volumes. The institute has given me direction. I will carry it's memories and lessons with me for the rest of my life. Coach B. and all my teammates thanks for the memories and support. Hawk and Baby New Year-we made it. Chaplin and Col. Hammond-Thank you for the guidance. Justin,Lee,Eric & Dana thanks for all your help and friendship. Tim-thanks for putting up with Gros and I. Gros-I can't believe were finished. At least we get to keep our racks. Thanks for all the good times. You guys were great roommates. Canuck and Booger keep your heads up! Suzy-I love you so much. Thanks for your love and support. Mom, Dad Kelly and Steve-Your prayers and love helped me survive. Thank You so much- I Love You.

"My task is done, the victory won" - Theodore Dreiser

Dyke 1991: Eric Hyde
Dyke 1997: Matt McLean

Lacrosse 4,3,2,1 (Captain); Cadet Investment Group 2,1; O.C.F. 3,2,1; Summer School 4,3,2,1; Corporal 3; Sgt 2; Lt. 1.

Stephen John Dudek
History / Chair Force
"The Dek, Colt, Dubage, Dude-K"

My father once told me, "Life is too short to drink cheap beer". What he meant by this was that one has to take chances in life and my coming to VMI was just that, a chance. In fortsight it was a chance well taken. VMI has allowed me many things in life that I could not achieve in other colleges. VMI helped me fulfill my dream of playing Division I football and has allowed me to obtain friendships that I could not find anywhere else. At VMI, the fraternity that we belong to is one that does not end when we all graduate but lasts our whole life. There are many people to thank for making my four year "prison term" at VMI an enjoyable one. I thank "'Da Mooch" and "The HUN" for making my last year my best year. Most of all I thank Mom , Da (Big Lug), Mick and Susan for their support and love because without them I could not have made it through VMI.

Dyke 1991: John "Dip" Martin
Dyke 1997: Matt "Poo Poo" Brown

Varsity Football 4,3,2,1; Pre-Law Society 2,1; Monogram Club 3,2,1; Conduct Pro 3; East Lex Preferred Customer 4,3,2,1; Palm's "Norm" 2,1

Charles Brian Duke
Biology \ Special Student
"Duckie"

VMI has been a rough four years for me, but I managed to survive. However, I did not do it alone. To my family, Thank you for your love and support which pulled me through the toughest times. Thanks Mom & Dad, I love you! To Jason, Matt, Cory, Rudy, Tom, and Joe: You guys are the greatest. Good luck, I will never forget the times we shared. I value our friendship and hope it will never drift apart. Please don't ever forget me. To my dyke, Jed, I wish you all the success in the world. I could not have asked for a better dyke or friend. Make me proud! To "D","Mac", Jimmy, and Jeff: Work hard but also enjoy life before reality hits. I learned a lot from my VMI experience and I can honestly say I made the right choice. And now it is time to enter the real world. So long VMI.

Dyke 1991: Art Cajigol
Dyke 1997: William Daniel "Jed" Hall

Pvt. 4,3,2,1; BBLB 3; OGA 1; IHTFP 4,3,2,1

Martin Engstrom Dunn
History / Army
"Dumplin"

Without a doubt, I have experienced at VMI some of the best and worst moments of my life so far. The worst being the Rat Line, confinement, third class year, the Thursday night before Ringfigure, etc. etc. , the best being breakout, amnesty, Ringfigure, Corps trip, Saturday nights at the Palms and the Thursday night before Ringfigure. For all these moments, good and bad, I am grateful.

I cannot write my history without saying thank you to a few people. Mom and Dad, thank you, for your patience and endless understanding. Jason, thank you, for being my brother and friend. Rebecca, thank you. George, Sean and Steve, thank you, for putting up with me and your friendship. Finally, yes, I would do it all over again.

Dyke 1991: George Petty
Dyke 1997: Paul Reedy

Joseph Ernest Dupre
Electrical Engineering / Navy
"Slug, Shiner"

Four years ago I came to VMI to obtain a commission in the Navy, and got a hell of a lot more than I ever expected. It has been a truly interesting time with many ups and downs but was definitely worthwhile. I pay tribute to my friends and fellow Cadets who have been so influential on me, for better or for worse. To my Rat roommates that we may never forget the one-armed pushup contests. To the guys in '39, especially Dukie who have had to put with my antics for 3 long years. Chad the Spaz and Kevin, friends forever, but remember to always shave and "ask for what you have". Kevin, I'll be sending you some Rogaine soon. To Farter, Sack, and Bud Man thanks for a fantastic First-Class year. May we have many more road trips. "Batta Ball anyone?" To all the EE's, "Does TTL ring a bell?" Finally, thanks Mama, Papa, and family who have been so supportive over the years. I love you.

Dyke 1991: C. Andrew Preston Jr.
Dyke 1997: Dave "Wind Tunnel" Painter

Michael Raymond Eason
Biology / Army
"Arty"

Well, what can I say that will be truly unique? Not much probably. Thanks everyone, meaning parents, friends, classmates, siblings and everyone else. I will not bore you with a long drawn out one. For those of you still at the I; Sucks to be You. I have finally graduated and when in three more years my dyke graduates it will be as if I had never been there, except for some pictures in a dusty yearbook. I have seen good and bad here, and have forgotten about most of it. Friends and classmates, go now into the world and make your mark. Godspeed and farewell, but perhaps not goodbye.

Dyke 1991: George Petty, Steve Blasch
Dyke 1997: Rob Appolito

Corporal 3, Op Sergeant 2, S-3 Lt 1; Co-President, Preston Society; Cadre 2,1; Roadrunner's 1; George Mercer Brooke IV 's Roomate 4,3,2,1

Soccer 4,3,2; Newman Club 4,3,2,1; Trident Society; CWRT 4,3,2,1; Eta Kappa Nu 2,1 Tres.; Tau Beta Pi 2,1 Tres.; Private 4,3,2,1

First Class Private, Four years at Mardi Gras, Graduating, getting a commission and CTLT in Hawaii.

Randy Lynn Elliott
Economics & Business / S.S.
"Opie, Smelliott"

Well the fat lady is singing. I owe thanks to so many for helping me survive the 1. Thank you Betty, Randy, Barbara and Ronnie. I felt as though I was an adopted son no matter were I went. Susan I would have starved had it not been for your cooking. Thanks roomies; Chin, Ham, Rivie, Snod, Rowdy, and Bubba. You all played a great part in seeing that I'm finally leaving this place. Jay. You might as well have been a zipper- head. It was great having another brother to go home to on the weekends. Mom and Dad. I owe you so much! Your support and love carried me farther than you can ever imagine. Mom and Dad I did it! Crissy Lynn Snead! You are more responsible for me graduating than anyone else. You were always there when I needed you. I love you more than you will ever know! I can't wait to start our new life.

Dyke 1991: Todd Hubbard
Dyke 1997: Drace Clevenger

Jason Leslie Ensminger
Biology / Air Force
"Enzo"

At this time 4 years ago I had just received my acceptance to VMI. I was a little uncertain of what to expect, but resolute to succeed no matter what. Now as I see the light at the end of the tunnel, I look back and realize that I couldn't have done it without all the support from my family. Grandpa, you were always there to give me some motivation and perseverance when I was running a little low. Mom, thanks for all of your understanding, love, and support. At this point I would like to say I'm proud of you because I see what has become of your life's work, me, Grandma, Bernie, Cathy, and Janet, thanks for listening and growing with me over the years. Matt, keep plugging and make me proud. You're gonna be great some day. Roomies, thanks for all the great times and putting up with me. Mike, Mark, Ron, and yes even Fed, good luck in all you do; I love you guys.

Dyke 1991: Frank Mulcahy
Dyke 1997: Matt "Starkage" Stark

Gerald Larrarte Escobar
History / Navy
"G, Rallo, Papi"

August 14,1990. The past four years have been my worst and best,longest and shortest, easiest and most difficult. Mom, Dad, Mer, and Err: Thanks for all your support and encouragement! You were all there every time! Looking back over the years I have had the best of times with the best guys. 102, 101, 117. Karl, Dan, Jeff, and Brent I appreciate all you did for me. To Joe, Clay, and Charles I will always remember the best of times, thanks for everything.Looking back I will always remember Ring Figure, Road Trips and Thursday Evenings! As I leave the Institute I thank all those who have changed my life and am ever grateful. Cunningham, thanks! 118, made it all possible! Thanks to everyone! May 21,1994. Once again it is time to RAMBLE ON!

Dyke 1991: Powers, Joseph, Fegley, Wertz
Dyke 1997: AWOL

Baseball Team 4; Spades Club 3; Lynchburg College/CVCC 2; VMI Firefighters 1; College Republicans 1; Big Brother Little Brother 1; Cadet Assistant 1; Summer School 4,3,2,1.

Rugby 3,2,1..1ST Sgt 2..# 1 club 2..Private 1,4..Carroll Award 1,2,3,4..Ac Stars 1..Sigma Delta 1..Order of the Sleepless Knights 4,3,2,1..TCOM 1

Corporal 3; Sergeant 2; C.Co.XO 1; VMI Firefighters 3,2,1; CR's 3,2,1; Cadet Staff 3,2,1; Thursday Evenings 3,2,1; VG 4,3,2,1; Special Student 4,3,2,1

Douglas Charles Estes
Chemistry / Special Student
"Testes, Boo-Boo"

Grace and Peace to All in the Lord Jesus Christ.

By the very nature of this institution, I have not come so far by being alone. Mom, I thank you for the love. Ken & Bub, youguys are the best, whether you want to be or not. Steve, thanks for just believing in me.

No one could ask for more prayers, Mom-Mom, or could ask for any greater aid. Billy and Stan, my at-best-described unusual roommates, I could [not] have asked for better. Han, Willie and Derick, Jeff too, keep up MY traditions. Aric and Jim, you are Brother Rats.

To all my friends in Christ, I thank and love you, for you have given me the greatest gift of all: "Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends." My only hope is that I have returned this, and together we can return this to the world. Finally, thanks to my favorite roomate Bill.

Dyke 1991: Stephen Tuck
Dyke 1997: Han Kao

Charles Fritz Evans
History / Air Force
"Dawg, Chuck"

I've been waiting to write this history since the day I matriculated and now that its time, I don't know what to say. First and foremost I would like to thank God. Through You, all things are possible. Mom and Dad, thanks for all the love and guidance that you have given me while I've been at the 'I'. Matt, Tom, Dave, Travis and "X" Dadson: You guys have made this place tolerable and at times (believe it or not) enjoyable. Good luck in all that you do. I'm sure you guys will live productive (and often destructive) lives. To Dee: I don't know how you did it but you managed to tolerate both the 'I' and myself at the same time. Thank you for all of the love that you have given me. I love you and can't wait to begin our life together. Finally, "I could have missed the pain but I'd have had to miss the dance"

Dyke 1991: Marty Hawks
Dyke 1997: Brad "Surfs up" Davis

Jonathan Lee Fabyonic
Economics & Business / Air Force S.S.
"FAB"

This like everything else that I was to do here I put off to the last minute. So I really have not put much thought into this, nor am I going to. I would just like to thank my parents for helping me get through this place and putting up with my complaining. I would also like to thank Robyn for putting up with more complaining than my parents. And to James and Gene, yinz were great roommates. Bryan, Camulus, Nub, and B.A. my grades would have been much higher if I did not live with any of you. But thats alright we had some good times and played and awful lot of cards. I would take the low G.P.A any day.

Dyke 1991: Bo Qoattrone ('90)
Dyke 1997: Tom Curran, Chad Nealy

BSU, OCF, and Chaps 4,3,2,1; BSU President 1, After Taps PrayerGroup 3,2,1; Banned from Bridgeville 3, Va. Wesleyan 2; Room Sloth 4,3,2,1; Cheesemaster 2; Practitioner of Tardiness 4,3,2,1.

Rat,Cpl.,Sgt.,Lt., VMI Fire Fighters 2,1, Alpha Phi Omega 1, IHTFP 4,3,2,1, College Republicans 2,1, S-5 Staff & Cadre 1, Tackling Dummy 4,3, Dope and Choke Cadre 2.

Football 4,3,2,1.

Matthew Edward Fedowitz
Biology / Army
"Fed"

I guess in coming here I wanted to prove something to myself and become a "VMI man". Well, in my quest I found something I never thought I would, I found myself. With all of its injustice, prejudice, and license, it taught me to strive for my limits. For that I thank VMI. For being caring, supportive, and understanding of this place and the profound effect it had on me, I thank my mom and dad. It has been a rough four years hasn't it? Thank you for holding me up and giving me the strength when I could not find it. I love you both very much. To my buds: mike, schrop, enzo, lauds, dannymon, ronmon, thanks for putting up with my many moods and thanks for the great times. I will never forget our times, they are too pure to be forgotten. To chris, I hope I made you proud. That is all I ever wanted. To greg, keep up like you are doing and you will never fail. I tried to be a good dyke, I hope I succeeded. "Was courage that brought him to this place, how fortunate the man with none..."Dead Can Dance.

Danny Walker Felty
Biology, B.S.-Psych (minor)/ Air Force
"Dano"

When I look back at the Footprints in the sands of time, I occasionally see two sets of prints - mine and Jesus'. During the time of my cadetship, there was only one set of prints. The prints weren't mine. I thank God for blessing me with the VMI experience and for the perseverance to graduate as an "educated and honorable man". It has been an arduous four year struggle, but the time has come for the class of 1994 to depart. To my family, I express my love and eternal gratitude for always being my foundation. To Hunter, you took me back and I look forward to spending a lifetime outside the confines of "furloughs". Andy, Bill, and Scott, our cadetship may be ending, but our friendship will always stand the test of time. The walls of Barracks mean nothing; the men within are the Institute. God bless the class of '94.

Dyke 1991: Joe Covey (Shmoe)
Dyke 1997: Jay Donato (Sweaty)

Donald Joseph Fix
Civil Engineering / Army
"DJ"

There is a name in barracks which has become synonymous with words like: greed, politics, money, and all other things corrupt in our system. That name is Fix. The adjectives used to describe him are unfit to print. We wonder if there is even an ounce of compassion flowing through his veins. Mike and Dan deserve many thanks as the two guys who had to live with this man for three years. His rat Rick started out well, hopefully he'll outgrow what his dyke has done. Thanks especially to his family and Steph, they were the only ones who could keep DJ calm and sane. Special thanks to DJ's father, the respect he has for you is unmatched by anything else. You will never find a cadet more supportive of the VMI system and its goals. After the Oval Office and financial domination, remember your brother rats, cause we won't forget you.

Dyke 1991: Rich Coupland
Dyke 1997: Rich Hezel

HC 2,1; D. co. commander 1; Ring Figure chairman 4,3,2; Band 4,3; Institute scholar 4,3,2,1; Big Lick native 4,3,2,1; TCOM 1; Sigma Delta 1; Phi Kappa Phi 2,1

Rat, 4. Cpl, 3. Sgt, 2. Lt, 1. Roadrunners, 2. College Republicans, 2.

Lawson Craig Freeman

Bio;ogy / Air Force
"Freem, Speedy, Loverman"

Four years ago I did not know what I was geting myself into. Four years later I still do not know what I got my self into. The VMI experience has been good for me. The memories and friends I've made here will last a lifetime. I don't think I could have made it through without the support of my parents. I would like to thank my parents f r all they have done for me and I just want to say I love you. I also want to thank my roomate Jason Bennett. We had some pretty wild times together. If you ever need anything just call and I'll do what I can to help. After four years of life at the Institute, I still think the best view of VMI is from the rear-view mirror of your car when you're heading home.

Dyke1991: Steve Kostoff
Dyke 1997: Todd Schunk

Brian J. Froehlich

Civil Engineering / Air Force SS
"The Grand Pooh Bear, Fro"

Since I began my journey along this "Road Less Traveled", I cannot tell you how many times I have thought about turning around. I have served my time on confinement, Con.Pro., and have had every right I ever thought I had violated-at least twice! To say the least, I pray that these were not the best four years of my life. Mom, Dad, Christine and family, you've had your hands full trying to keep me in line; I thank and love you all! Thanks to the Brumleys, Crowders, Gillespies, McClains, Musselmans, and Phelps. Fellahs-Spanky, Fab, Gene, Nasty, Rob, Piglet, Woody, Mud, Weave, Radar, and K-Dog-Best of luck! Thanks roommates: Camillus for teaching me responsibility, Nub for teaching me patience and sensitivity, BA for showing me how to wear the pants in a relationship, and all three of you for teaching me when to say when. JSG, you're not forgotten. PALS FOREVER.

Dyke 1991: George Inge, MOR, SMA
Dyke 1997: Mike "Nub" Phelps

James Alex Gaston III

Electrical Engineering / S.S.
"JOLLY,Happy,Killer,MacDaddy"

In the beginning, there was confusion and fear. Now, there is understanding and happiness. Why? I don't know. Only God knows why a place like V.M.I. can keep me in a good mode with a smile on my face all the time. It is amazing how a little military school in Virginia can enhance a person's life with a strong since of meaning like V.M.I. has done for me. I can HONESTLY say that from pre-strain summer until my first class year, V.M.I. has given me friendships and memories that I will keep close to my heart forever. As I rat, I had fun!! My dyke was my best friend. Third class year, I took control of my life and defined who James A. Gaston III is... Second class year, I got my RING, a solid gold reminder of my history here at V.M.I. Finally, I am a First Classmen, and just like three years ago, my dyke, my little rat, is my **BEST** friend. My special thanks to all my friends for your love...

Dyke 1991: John E. Duffy
Dyke 1997: Steven A. Strain

Swim Team, 4,3,2,1; Arnold Air Society 4,3,2,1; Virgin Private 4,3,2,1; Indoor Soccer 3; Fellowship of Christian Athletes 2,1; Monogram Club 2,1; Cadet Staff 2,1; 90210-Melrose Club 3,2,1.

Football 4,3,2,1; PVT. 4,3,2,1; Con Pro 4,3,2; BSB 3; DOMAR 4; SATISFIED LOSER 4,3,2,1; Riders Club 1; Joan Pinnin Fan CLub 1

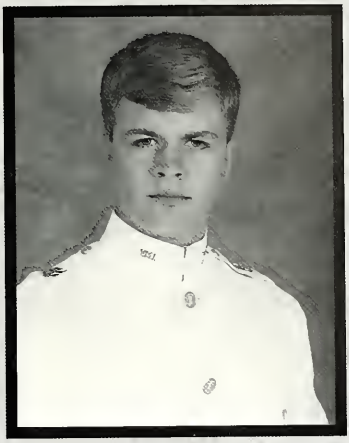
Super Stract PVT 4,3,2,1; Glee Club 4,3,2,1; Sentinels 3,2,1; Spirit Squad 4,3; Karate Club, Cadet Battery 2,1; Promaji Club 4,3,2,1; Multi-cultural Club, Nice Guy 4,3,2,1; NO PT's 3,2,1,

Christopher Tinley Gibson
English / USMC
"Dieter, Road Warrior"

THE COLLEGE YEARS (What a long strange trip it's been): Western Kentucky University (87-90), Marine Reserve (87-93), 100,000 miles by motorcycle, Guiness Stout, good friends, long nights in dark Industrial clubs, Front 242, road trips-Kansas City in a weekend, Denver, Santa Fe, New Orleans, Daytona, VMI theater, Ring Figure, mosh pits, late night philosophizing and trips to local pubs, Sisters of Mercy, classes/grades-both good and bad, 140 MPH on the Le Mans, Ear-x-tacy, Warehouse, black leather, carving twisties, Doc Martens, Appalachian Trail, yabyum, diploma = sanity.

Family, especially Mom and Dad, thanks for standing by me through all the changes, your support has been immeasurable. My friends, the memories are rich and I hope that life becomes what we want it to be.

Dyke 1991: Lee Bewley:
Dyke 1997: Stephen Brown:



Chad Danny Gilreath
Economics & Business / Air Force
"Bubba"

I never thought the time to write this would ever come but I must admit, it came quickly. God, my family, and my friends have all made it possible for me to reach this point in my life. Mom, Dad, Cleve, and Brittany: You mean more to me than you could ever imagine. Without you I never would have made it through this "place". THANK YOU! Bryan, you'll make it out of here one year. Thanks for being such a great friend. Chicken, Rob Ed, Roddy, and Randy; thanks for all the good times we had and for being great roommates. Jackie, thank you for putting up with me and for everything that you have done for me. Dale, you have been a great dyke. Don't ever lose faith in making it to the end. Finally, to VMI, I say goodbye. I have questioned you since the beginning and I must say, I still do.

Dyke 1991: "Wacky" Davis
Dyke 1997: Dale Burdette

Sean Conrad Goldsmith
Civil Engineering / Special Student
"Goldy, Pretty boy, Goldberg"

As my four years of rest and relaxation at VMI draw to a close, I'd like to express some thanks and appreciation. First and foremost, I owe all of my accomplishments to the Lord. He is responsible for bringing me through these 4 yrs. Secondly, I'd like to thank my parents and my brother for all of their love and support. Next, I'd like to thank the Callahans for providing me with a home away from home for the past 3 years. And last but not least, I'd like to thank Tammy for being there and supporting me whenever I needed her. You're the best, hon! Ryan and Jon, good luck in your military experiences. I know you'll both be successful. (Hopefully your women will keep you straight!) Pat, good luck in your search for a job & a woman! And a little advice for Johnny, stay out of trouble, hang on to your morals & values, and keep the faith! Proverbs 3:5,6

Dyke 1991: Buck Sessoms
Dyke 1997: Johnny Weekes

VMIT 2,1; TMS 2,1; MSGT 2; OGA 1

Corporal 3; AC pro 2; VMI Fire Fighters 1,2; S-5 Staff 1,2

Rat Training 3 ; OCF 3,2 ; Cadre 2,1 ; VMI Outreach 2 (V.Pres.), 1 (Pres.); Corporal 3, 1st SGT 2, E Co. Commander 1

John Paul Louis Goode
Electrical Engineering / Army S.S.
"John Paul"

It's Halloween night and I cannot think of a better time to write this epitaph. This is the end, again, yet it's really about to begin. We descended into Hell only to rise with a heritage of Honor, Integrity, Hardship and self sacrifice. It all seems so distant now but I shall never forget. I must say, I share this with some pretty incredible BRs. Friends through it all. What a long strange trip its been. Marching slowly comes the most magnificent day, the VMI 154th annual commencement exercises. My friends, I'll see you on the up and about.

Mom & Dad, Lisa & Jennifer thanks for your never ending support. I love you guys so much. Ben, Pete, and Scott and the boys back home a special thanks to you. In honor of Louis Goode '29 and John Goode '67.

Dyke 1991: Jeff Pence
Dyke 1997: Joey "Jaw" Howard

Jonathan M. Goodman, II
Electrical Engineering / Air Force
"Jay Goode"

GOD is GOODE. Every now and then life has a tendency of dealing you a bad hand. In these past four years I have had my share of bad hands. But with the Lord on my side and the determination to get through I can truthfully say 'Thank-you Lord I have made it.' To Mom, Dad, Lisa, Dionne, and the rest of the family, thanks for the support. To the Graffler, Newbone, and JP, may God continue to shine his glorious light upon you. To all the fellas, I pray that God will keep you. To my dykes (BJ, A'Darryl, and Warren), keep your head and do what you think is best. May God Bless you all.....

Dyke 1991: Greg Fittz
Dyke 1997: BJ, A'Darryl, and Warren

William Richard Gorman II
International Studies / Army
"Thriller, G. Thrilla"

My time here is almost at a close. Rat year was marked by pain, fear, and accomplishment. Third class year: pain, beer, and accomplishment. Second class year: pain, beer, ring, accomplishment. Now, it is pain, beer, grades, fear, and more beer. Accomplishment will be seen after graduation. Without my family, friends, and BR's, I would have lost my motivation. Certain events make this place better, furlough, the real Ring Figure, jumping into a pile of hays from the second stoop, block running, and R-MWC women. For VMI to continue, high standards must be set & met, not lowered. All men must take responsibilities for their actions, and not seek the easy way out. Those classes to follow must uphold the systems of the Corps, and not change for change sake. Scott, keep working hard, make me proud!

Dyke 1991: Edward Mosher
Dyke 1997: Christopher Scott Weisiger

OGA; VMI Firestarter 321; Cadre 3

Basketball 4,3,2,1

I came to know the Lord as my Personal Savior.

Virgin private; Glee Club 4,3,2,1; R-MWC patron; in my own world 4,3,2,1; Dazed and Confused 4,3,2,1; Marshall Reasearcher 1; Helmet Box 3,2,1

John Roderick Grant
Economics & Business / Texan
"Rowdy, Grant-Tie"

Well B.R.'s it's been real, and it's been fun; but it hasn't been real fun. And yet at times it's been the most fun I've ever had thanks to my roommates and friends. Would I do it again, probably not; but I am glad I've done it now that it's coming to a close. Dad, I can't even begin to thank you for your endless support and wisdom. Mom, thank you for your endless flow of love. Roomdawgs, thanks for putting up with my endless chatter and for all of the great memories. Dad you once told me that "that which doesn't kill us makes us stronger", as well as "to make lemonade when dealt lemons". Thanks to me experiences here I will never lack strength nor will I ever know thirst. Just as the brochure says "this is the road less traveled by, but it has made all the difference". I hope it makes a big difference after I'm out too. I have faith it will. Until we meet again. GRANT: EXIT STAGE LEFT.

Dyke 1991: Jeff "Airborne" Cupper
Dyke 1997: Ashley "Ash" Wilmore

Wishing I was back in Texas 4,3,2,1,5: Rugby 1,5; Rack Club 3,2,1,5; Dean's Other List 4,3,2,1,5; In Frat during RIOT stick 3; Most PT's in Corps 2; Conduct Pro 2; Confused and Fed Up Always

Michael Rocco Grippo
Civil Engineering / Army S.S.
"Grip, Rocco, Fo, Gription"

Yesterday I was in HS, today I'm a senior in college. I will never miss it here but only miss the great friendships I have made here. I would like to give my love to my family for being there whenever I needed them. Dad thanks a million for all your positive letters. Thanks Aunt Della for being like a mom to me along with Uncle Joe, Joey and Carissa for being there also. Aunt Carm and Uncle Vito thank you for the food boxes and phone talks. Col. Jamison thanks for everything. As for my buds here at VMI: JP(CU @ the ballpark), Rich(CU @ Halifax HS), Marc(CU somewhere down south), Sean S(CU when U graduate), Carter(CU w/Amy), Sack(CU sailing), CJ(CU w/Keri), Meach(CU when U graduate), Miler(CU @ GATech if I get in), Yeatts(CU Bart), Song(CU w/my shot glass), VMI B-Ball team(CU on TV) and dykes(CU in 3 yrs).

Dyke 1991: Tom Slater '90
Dyke 1997: Mark Baltz

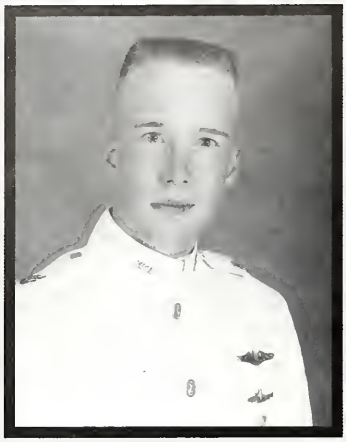
4,3,2,1 VMI basketball manager, 3 Corporal, 1 Newspaper, 1 Circle K, 2.1 APO

Christopher Nolan Gros
History / USMC
"Disgusting, Casper, Red"

Looking back on my Cadetship, I'm left with many memories, both good and bad. These four years seemed to have lasted forever, but I wouldn't trade my experiences here for anything. I have made some great friends here, that I'll never forget. To the guys on the Patio; I've had some of my best memories with you, from the Palms to the weeks spent here on confinement. Doyle and Tim, what can I say, you two are great friends, and the best roommates I could ask for. Catherine, thanks for all the support, from OCS to our many late night talks, I love you. Finally, Dad, Mom, and Jenn I can't thank you enough for supporting me these past four years, I know it hasn't been easy, but I want you to know that I appreciate it and that I love you. Canuck and Bonham good luck and stick with it. Semper Fi.

Dyke 1991: Tony Marro
Dyke 1997: Dan "I only stayed a week" Welsh

Rat 4; Cadre 3,2; CPL 3; OPS SGT 2; PVT 1; Boxing 3,2,1; Semper Fi Society 4,3,2,1; Racking Champion 4,3,2,1; Patio Dweller 2,1; Honorary Member Phi Delts 1; X-Men 2,1; Gunny Reed's "Speed Team", Bulldog 2



Michael David Grose

Mechanical Engineering / U.S. Navy
"Grossbody,Animal Mother,Tweety"

I shall sorely miss my days at the Virginia Military Institute once they are gone. I take from this place a sense of pride and accomplishment. However, the bond of brotherhood which I share with my friends and brother rats will be the most cherished item which I take from the Institute. Graduation has been a goal for all of us, but to the chosen few who will make it this will be just another beginning for us. Now that the goal is within sight, I realize that the journey has been much more important in shaping my life than simply reaching the destination. To my brother rats in Bravo who made it, I will miss you all dearly. We found a bond that first year which will never be broken. Now I feel ready to move on and anticipate the next few years of my life with zeal, because I have the foundation of a VMI education. BALL BUSTIN'!

Dyke 1991: Herbert Xin Yang '92
Dyke 1997: Robert J. Feist '94+3

Rodney Paul Gudz

Mechanical Engineering / Army

Graduating. It kind of sounds strange and unbelievable after all these years here. I really wanted to be the first cadet to get tenure. I guess it is time to finally face the real world ratline. Thanks Mom and Dad for never giving up on me, even when it got real dark. Rob, why did you ever pick this place? Those times we shared here were some of the best times I had at VMI. I owe you and Joe a great deal for watching out for me as a rat. Emily and gang, it's nice to have a home away from home, and someone to complain to all the time. Thanks also to my foster class, for taking me in off the stoop. I don't think I have met a better group of (younger) guys. John, you were a great rat and dyke. Keep headed the way you are and you won't have any problems. Invite me to your graduation! '92, '92, '92.

Dyke 1989: Craig S. Thompson/Bill Jasinski
Dyke 1996: John D. Miller

Gary Steven Gulliksen, Jr

English / Army
"Gulliksweird"

VMI has taught me three things over the past four years: Everything has a price and must be earned, times Survival is enough, and one must make it alone! For these things and my life here I love the Institute, my Brother Rats, and those who have helped me to survive. Mom and Dad, without your prayers and support I wouldn't have had a chance. Major B, Chief Hickox, Heidi, The Whole Glee Club, 263 "Doyle", Volgyi, Larue, Gene, Wilky, Zero Thanks for taking the time. Bob, it's been four years, should I sing a song? Hey Paul, turn your key! Tony (T) and the rats of 167, always remember what is good in life! Never Give UP!

Dyke 1991: Steve Dudar
Dyke 1997: Tony Holt

Trident Society 4,3,2(Treasurer), 1; Tau Beta Pi 2,1(Secretary), Ac Stars 3, RMCS Exchange 2; VA Program @ Oxford 2; HMWHC 4,3,2,1; Reg S-2 Sgt; 2nd BN S-2 Lt; Ball Buster 4,3,2,1; Roadrunners 3, 2

Cpl 3; Ranger Platoon 3,2; Tanker Platoon 1; VMI Fire fighters 3,2,1,1a; College Republicans 1a; President VMI Police Cadets 1,1a; ASME 1a; AUSA 4; 90210 club 1,1a; Deau's other list: 4-1a.

Cpl 3; Sgt 2; Lt 1; Glee Club 4,3,2,1; Vice President 2,1; Sentinels: 2,1; Ranger Co 4,3,2,1; CWRT 2,1; OCF 2,1; Fencing 4,3; Delta Co 2,1; Echo Co 1

David James Guthrie
History / Army
"Arlo, Woody, Nuwanda, Super Dave"

Hey! I'm out of here, I'm vapor trails, I've got a plane ticket out of here. I CAN'T STAND THIS PLACE! but, I wouldn't trade my diploma for the world. The phrase "You love to hate the place," has come to be the core meaning of my cadetship. Now, I just want to say good-bye to some of my BRs. To my roommates, co-inhabitants of rooms 310,210,and finally 110, Mike and Jeff, good luck, you guys have been great. I wish you the best. Neighbors of 108, take it easy and keep on partying. Dadson, Mills, Corey, John, and Aric you guys have been great friends. Tina and Wilson good luck and I wish you the best. And to everybody else good luck! Jim, keep up the good work and have fun!! A special Thanks to Jennifer, you were always beside me, you gave me a shoulder to lean on I will always Love you. Finally, to my Mom and Dad, What can I say but Thank-You and I love you both very much.

Dyke 1991: Dave Kaulfers, Mike Faunce
Dyke 1997: Jim Wrenn (Randy Travis)

Virgin PVT 4,3,2,1; Rifle (lettered) 4,3; elevator club 4,3; Pervert Corner 3,2,1; SLI 2,1; work force 3; Summer Scholar pre-strain, 4, 3, 2, 1; slop thrower 2, 1; Jennifer 4,3,2,1.

Mark John Hannan
International Studies/Army
"Sugar-britches,Don Juan,Meat"

I would like to start off by thanking my idle,Coach Steven Ross, for being there for me when I needed a shoulder to cry on. Next my beloved Steph, oops! I mean Rosepetal-you are everything to me! Mom and Dad, thanks for understanding when I was confused about my manhood/sexuality-it took real understanding. I would also like to give special gratitude to my roommates, I know I made you feel uncomfortable at times, but we finally made it. Like Captain Reid said, "when the going gets tough, the tough get going." This quote helped me and my RANGER buddies get through the rigorous challenges that we faced at V.M.I. on a daily basis. After coming to the Institute I can honestly say that I am changed man. I would like to sum up my cadetship in one sentence-I WEAR THE RING!!!! HUA, HUA, HUA-ARMY, ARMY, ARMY!!!

Dyke 1991: Brad Brodigan
Dyke 1997: Cooper Reid

Rosepetal and Blossom

William L. Harding Jr.
International Studies / Air Force S.S.
"Juney, Green Eyes and Ham"

Every man comes to VMI for a different reason. Some for academics, sports, and even the military. But regardless of why we came, we all will leave with something very special. The privilege to call ourselves true VMI men. At times I wondered why I was here, but now it seems very clear. Even though I hate to say it, VMI has made me a better person. To all of the Bro's, keep on striving, because we're in this together. Also to Rob and Newbill we finally made it! Finally Obi, Keep your head up and remember nothing is impossible!

Dyke 1991: Gregory Hatchett (The Hatch)
Dyke 1997: Obi Ezekwe

Corporal 3; Reg. S-6 Sergeant 2; 1 Batt. S-6 Lt. 3; Track 1,2,3,4; Monogram Club Pres. 1; Historian of Promaji Club 3; Big Red Club; VMI Gospel Choir Vice Pres. 2; All SC Triple Jumper.

Benjamin Nichols Hargy

IS;ML / Special Student
"Benhargy, Hargyben"

After cadre amusements, life at the bottom of a totalitarian system dismayed this unique individual. His family's scant words of wisdom and helpful dyke lead him through the trials of the rat line. Books and Band Co. were close friends during VMI's "sabbatical from life" and the many melancholy weekends. The 3rd Class year was the same, except for the escapes on bicycle rides. Academia & alcohol at Oxford welcomed this New Englander to his 2nd class year in Europe. Interrail, Muenchen, Prag, Paris, die Slovakei invoke fond memories of the continent. Seldom seen during his 1st class year, this classical Liberalist frantically completed his majors preparing for Graduate school. In short; Ben disliked his stay at the "I," but is pleased to wear the ring.

Dyke 1991: Michael Bunch
Dyke 1997: Kennith Pierce

Sean Patrick Harrington

Economics and Business/ Air Force
"Grandpa, Country Club, Blue Ball"

VMI, the final frontier, these are the voyages of Cadet Sean P. Harrington. A four year mission, to explore a strange new world, seek out all forms of survival, and to boldly go where no sane man has gone before ...chorus...! Ray, Chris, and Fred (106 Posse), I will miss you guys the most! We have been through the best and worst times and without each of you my life would have never been the same! PUT FRED IN! Dont forget DEEZ NUTS! Alex, hit em long and straight! Mom, without all of your sacrifices in life all of this would have never been possible. I hope I have made you proud and I Love You! Nana & Pop, thanks for all of the love and support through the years! Marsha, I look forward to spending the rest of forever with you! I promise to never leave again! I Love You! I came, I saw, I conquered!

Dyke 1991: William "Wild Bill" Coleman
Dyke 1997: Alex "Spock/Beavis" Herbert

Derek Jason Hart

Electrical Engineering / Special Student
"Geekboy, EE - Big Three"

It's hard to believe that it has been 4 years. Throughout my cadetship, people have been asking me why I'm doing this even when I've had 4 relatives come here! Even so I'd like to thank Tracey, Chris, Cloyd, Arnie and my dykes for all their help through VMI. I just wish that they all could have been around for the incidents that would arise down the road. The one tangle that I'll always remember is that Damn Ranger Challenge Team. I'll have to live knowing that Iraq doesn't need a SCUD missile to knock out the supposed elite defenders of our country; just a bicycle. As for the TAC officers, (Williams, Hockaday...) they didn't find that 'refrig' in my room. These incidents are behind me now, and I'm finally a 1st! My biggest concern is wondering whether the nights of staying up til 0430 will graduate me.

Dyke 1991: Chris Johnson '90
Dyke 1997: Garrett Field '97

Reg.Bd 4, 3, 1; Pep Bd 4; VMIT 4,3,1; IRC (Vice-Pres. 3) 4, 3; S.Deutschverein (VMI Rep.4) 4, 3, 1; Canterbury Club 4, 3; Landford Fund 2; VPO 2; Uni Bw. 2; DAA 2; Delta Phi Alpha; Ac.Stars 4,3,1

Accomplishments: Soccer 4,3; Golf 2,1; Graduation 1; Sleep Society 4,3,2,1; AC Pro 3; Fred's World 4,3,2,1

Graduation 1; VMI Swimming 2,3; Marine Corps Marathon 2,3; Dean's List 2; Illegal Refrigerator Club 2,3; Handicap Sign Mover 1, Academic Black Holes 4,3,2,1; BOHICA 4,3,2,1

Martin Jay Hawks
History / Special Student
"Old Man, Has-been"

History: Well, this is to everyone who never thought I was going to come back. Guess I proved you wrong. It hasn't been all that bad this semester especially with my roommates Dan, John, and Cloyd. I had to give someone hell. Matt, Richard, and Shannon, will you escort me out to ranks? To all my other dykes, Jason, Charlie, Martin, and Mike, I'm glad you're all making it out of here. Thanks Heath for your support. George, you're next-B! To others esp. Paul and Steve, my sons are still going to... Greg, you're still the best dyke in the world. Thank you mom and dad. You didn't always understand me but still stood by me. That means a lot. Janet, you're crazy and that's why I love you. Thanks for putting up with me all the time.

Dyke 1988: Greg Gooch
Dyke 1997: Charlie Evans & Jason Shin

Mark Wayne Hazelwood
History / Air Force SS
"Weed"

These were a tough four years, but I would not trade them for anything. I made the best friends i'll ever know here. Weave you will always be one my best friends. We put up with each other all four years. That is an accomplishment in itself. Nub anytime you need a F...in beer give me a call. Sam it was difficult to lose a friend, but you will always be in my heart and mind. Keep an eye out for us! To Steve and Spanky thanks for making the first class year interesting. To guys in 104 and 158 it has been crazy but worth it. To mom and dad, thanks for my guidance and patience along the way. I never would have had the chance without you. To Grandpa, thanks for being my biggest fan. Last but not least Kelly. These four years were just as trying on you as they were on me. I could have never done it without you. I'll always Love You.

Dyke 1991: James Tavenner
Dyke 1997: David Sullivan, Nathan Shepperson

Garrett Clifton Hedges
Economics and Business/ Army S. S.
"Big G"

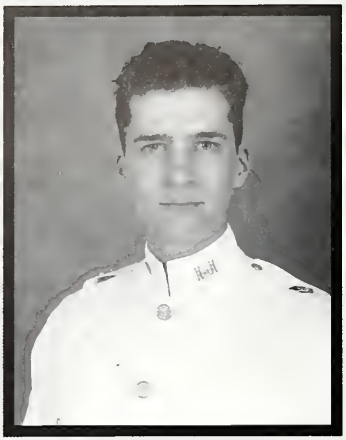
When its all said and done, I hope that I can say it was all worth it. At times it seemed that the VMI "experience" would never end, but now there is light at the end of the tunnel. Through all the ups and downs, whether a rat or a first, my parents have been steadfast by my side. I wish you could walk the stage with me because without you, graduation would not have been possible. I must also look to my grandparents, who's love and support made my education at VMI a reality. As for the 103 cave dwellers, I hope we can keep in touch and to the Institute, you will forever be etched in my memory.

Dyke 1991: Kyle A. Bryan
Dyke 1997: Steve "Stretch" Strachen

Swim Team 4,3; VMIT 3,2,1; Bomb photographer 3; Number One Club 2,1; Suspension

Baseball 4,3,2,1; Captain 1; Private 4,3,2; S-6 Lt.; Dean's List 2; C.G. 4,3,2,1; Monogram Club 1; Smart Ass 4,3,2,1; Riders Club 1.

Cpl 3, Sgt 2, Lt. 1, Cadet Investment Group 2, Executive Officer 1, Pre-Law Society 3,2, President 1, Deans 2,1, Econ and Bus. Assoc. 3,2,1, Rack Monster 3,2,1, S-5 Guide, 3,2, Cave 3,2,1.



Edward Rives Henning

Economics & Business / Army
"Johnny Bravo, Kid Crazy"

I have to say its impossible to fit all the good times in 13 lines. Ro, Charles, and Wayne were impossible to live with but they were the best friends a guy could ask for. Thanks for putting up with all my crises. Gary, I never knew how patient you were until I had a rat myself. Pat, you've been a great rat, hang in there. I told you Virginia is not as bad as Nevada. Mom, Thanks for all your support. Your letters, food boxes, and wisdom about life's many trials were priceless. Dad, I know you want me to tell you that it was such a great idea to knowingly let me attend VMI. I must admit it is a unique and unusual way to show how much you love me. On the serious side, you are the most patient and rational man I've ever known. Thanks for everything. Dad, can I borrow $5 ?

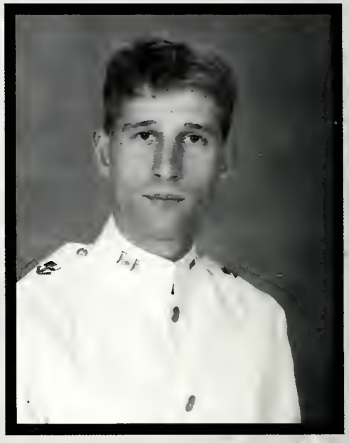
Dyke 1991: Gary E. Rose
Dyke 1997: Patrick O'Rourke

James Curran Hewitt

History / Army
"Jaime, SLI, Spewitt, Jimmy"

I don't plan to talk much about VMI because I've grown to hate it over the past four years, but rather about my friends and the times we've had.Who could forget about rat year rooming w/ Tic, Dico, and Helmic.Third class year-Carter alcohol #1's-I couldn't have made it without you. Remember the Kegs and Girls in our room; ten man room had some great times.Cart, couldn't seem to get off confinement together!! 2nd class year ring figure and confinement also seem to stick out in my mind. Dyke all the havoc we caused at R.F. Kbar sorry about your date. Jason-"beating a civilian excessively"-we seem to bring the best out in each other!(another #1) Thanks to the girls of Baldwin, great reputation! 1st year Jason we should've never gotten our "hair cut". Thanks Joe Gerald Charles Clay Geof Todd Jim Stu Rust Pete 101,jump around I'm all fired up!

Dyke 1991: Rich Radonis
Dyke 1997: Chad Bigelow

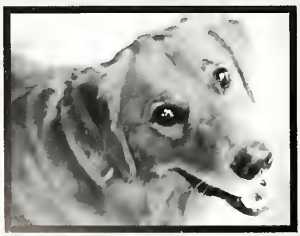


Aaron Blake Hickman

Chemistry / Special Student
"Divot, AB, Town-eee"

Rob, to your dismay I will never forget 470! For that matter, I will never forget you, Matt, Louis or John. See you all at BRC, right? Jake, peace out and go to grad school. Pvt. "Jabba", may the sandman trip, fall and spill a bucket of his special sand on your bed next year. Mom, Dad, Jen and Dog, I owe it all to you...Thanks!

Dyke 1991: David "Love God" Peters
Dyke 1997: Mathew Russell



Rat, 4. Cpl, 3. Sgt, 2. Lt, 1. EC/BU Society, 3,2,1. VMI Firefighters, 3,2,1. Econ Mole, 2. Eagle Scout Association, 1. Drunk, 4,3,2,1. Ghetto, 3.

#1 club two times, Ranger Challenge Co., Cadre 2, lacrosse 4, 1st class pvt

Lava Lamp Club 4,3,2,1; Ac-Pro 3; Corporal 3; Seargent 2; OGA 1; Deans List 2; F-Trooper and 470 4,3,2,1.

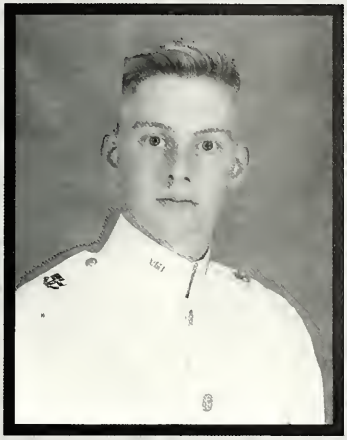
Brian Bernard Hingst

Mechanical Engineering / Army S.S.
"Grandpa, Gramps, Old Man"

Well, what can I say? I guess I can start out by thanking all of those who have helped me get me through this place. Mom and Dad, thanks for everything. Without you I couldn't have made it. To my brothers and sisters, thanks for taking my phone calls and sending me letters, packages and money. Knowing you all were behind me made this place bearable. Thanks goes out to my professors and of course, Doc. Monsour. Last of all I have to thank my ME BR's who I spent many long nights with working on homework and projects. Without you all I couldn't have gotten my degree. I have had both good and bad times here. Mostly bad but somehow I made it through. I can't say whether or not it was worth the time and effort but than again only time will answer that question. To room 115, fella's, it was fun. Frank, try to get more sleep; Kevin, quit gambling.

Dyke 1991: Andrew Lawrence
Dyke 1997: John Moore

Corporal; Sergeant; member, ASME; member, NSPE; member, Timmins Music Society; President, Officers of theGuard Association.



John Wayne Holloway, Jr.

Spanish & English / FA
"Bubba, Wayne's World, G, Shock G"

This hellish eternity has finally come to pass, and there are words to be left and thanks to be given. Ben, hang in there and stick out that one last semester. Then you can become a guitar star and buy your 944. Who knows, you may end up driving that dreamy dump truck outside of Carrol Hall one day. Ben and Aaron, my elected BR groomsmen, don't be late to my wedding. I want to thank my entire family and close friends for being behind me. Mom and Dad, Dett and Pete, and all those that were gave me support: I hope one day I can repay you for all the sacrifices you have made for me these past four years. Rachel, thanks for sticking around an entire four years. I love you and thank you; our life together is about to begin. I above all want to thank God, the one who gave me the opportunity and the ability to complete a dream.

Dykes 1991: Tim Hayes ('91), Greg Saukulak ('91), Sam Kwon ('91), Mike Naifei ('91), Ed Murphy (?)
Dyke 1997: Kevin Vallerie ('97)

RAT 4; CPL 3; SGT 2; LT 1; Trooper 4,3,2,1; Dean's List Paper Staff 2; Eng Soc 3,2; Pres Hisp Soc 1; College Republicans 1; Pre-Law Soc 3,2,1; Engaged 2,1; Sick and Tired of VMI 4,3,2,1

Travis Leonard Homiak

Int'l Studies & German / Marine Corps
"Homie, Holmes, Home Daddy"

We are the hollow men
We are the stuffed men
Leaning together
Headpiece filled with straw. Alas!
Our dried voices, when
We whisper together
Are quiet and meaningless
As wind in dry grass
Or rats' feet over broken glass
In our dry cellar
Shape without form, shade without colour,
Paralysed force, gesture without motion;
Disjointed impressions of VMI....This
broken jaw of our lost
kingdoms

Dyke 1991: John G. Walters
Dyke 1997: Lee Harvey Oswald

Swim Team 4,1; Bundeswehr Uni Hamburg 2; Dead Dippers Society; General Nuisance 4,2,1

Edward Watters Hosken, III

Economics / Special (Forces) Student
"Mr. Ed, Jughead, Potsie"

I have an education, a ring, and a whole lot of memories. My fellow cadets have given me four years of smokin', jokin', and good times I will never forget. The administration has given me nothing but lies and frustration, which I will never forgive. However, I feel both have taught me much about myself and others. For this, I am grateful. The VMI experience, with all its B.S. has, overall, been a lot of fun and I am glad I had the opportunity to do it. Brother Rats, you made this hellhole bearable and gave me a lot to laugh about, thanks for the memories. Andy, you've been a great dyke, thank you. I'd like to express my love and gratitude to my parents for their unfailing support and encouragement. I owe them everything.

Dyke 1991:Andrew Preston
Dyke 1997:Andrew Staich (Stench)

Robert Edward Howard

History / Marine Corps
"The Dragon, Combat Bob"

I still do not know what posessed me to decide to come here. I suppose that during my senior year of high school I was growing contemptuous of the people I saw around me, and I wanted a challenge. I must say that I did not expect the challenges that I faced here. The system here can be cruel and arbitrary, and it has been to me sometimes. That, however, is not the point. The point is that I was faced with all of these challenges, and I didn't lose! Gary, it seemed like we were the only ones that didn't fit in here; but instead of giving in, we carved a place for ourselves. Thanks for keeping me from going off the deep end for these past three years we've lived together. Thanks to all of my friends, and to Tony - you can do whatever you set your mind to. Don't let anyone tell you different.

Dyke 1991: Denton Sisk
Dyke 1997: Tony Spevak

Kenneth Jason Hunt

Economics & Business / Air Force
"Jason, Asphalt"

There are those who feel that VMI forces conformity, and thus they conform. However it may look on the outside, I continually strive to individualize myself from the herd wherever possible. It may not have always been a bold deviation from the norm, but rather a small and more self realized difference that may be overlooked by the crowd. One thing "it" always has been and will always continue to be is something, anything, that reminds me of who I am inside and not who I have been forced to be. This is not to say I am against VMI and all other institutions of uniformity, but rather that everyone should at least be conscious of their personal beliefs, needs, and passions. My father always says "You can't have your cake and eat it too." Well, I'm sure as hell going to try!

Dyke 1991: Rob Shults
Dyke 1997: MTV Mike McKenna

Summer School 5,4,3,2, Calc I 4,3,3,5,2, Cpl 3, Sgt 2, Aco OGA 1, Semper Fi 2,1, Roadrunners 2, USMC Marathon 2, Firefighters 2, College Republicans 1, Rat Training 1.

Rat 4; Cpl 3; Pvt 3,2,1; Martial Arts Club 3,2; VMI Theater 3; Semper Fi Society 3,2; Bulldog Plt 2; VMI Police Cadets 2; VMI Firefighters 1.

Square Root Club 4; Sabbatical 3; Readjusting 2; Dean's List 2; Roadrunner 1,0; Guidon bearer 1; Private 4,2,1,0; Biking team 1; W&L Impostor 2,1,0; Firefighter 1,0; AAS 1,0; HARM 2,1

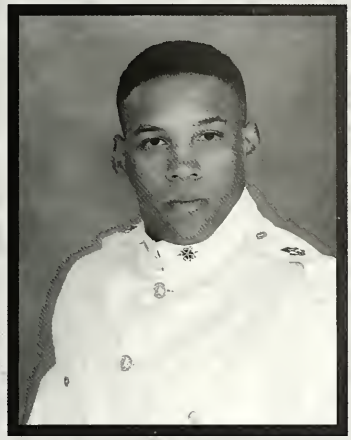
Dale Edward Hybl

Int'l Studies-History / Air Force
"Tiny , Heeb, Tweezle?"

"Just Suck It Up!" No matter where I go or what I do in the future, those few words will always remain with me as my personal lesson from VMI. While different people learn different things from college, the ability to keep working when things look bad and,to keep plugging when the end seems far away is my favorite lesson. Throughout the past four years there have been ups and downs, but through it all my family, Mom, Dad, Dean and Darian, have always looked out for me and cared. Thank you, I love you. Even more importantly though, my fiancee, Katherine, has always pushed me to do my best and forgiven me when I haven't...KET, we've almost made it now. Jimbo, Jay and GEORGE, thanks for taking me in and looking out for me; you're the best friends a guy could have. Jon G., you're the tops, stick with it. John J., pay attention and learn.

Dyke 1991: Chip Chenery '90, Jon Greenspon
Dyke 1997: John Jenkins

H.C. 2,1; Color Cpl. 3; Cpl. 3; S-5 Sgt. 2; Capt. 1; BAND 4,3,2,1; Arnold Air Society 4,3,2,1; BSU 4,3,2,1; Water Polo 4,3,2; AC Stars 3,1; Cadet Assistant 3,2,1; Freefall 2c; Rack Monster 4,3,2,1



Raymond Bernard James

Econ and Business / Special Student
"R.J. Zeus Bernie"

I can't really say my experience here at VMI has been a great one. I have struggled through the years and fought to survive. I have taken my bumps and bruises like many other people at the "I". Although it has been rough, I have also learned a few things along the way. I have learned to make it through the bad times and to keep my head held high. This is a lesson I am sure will last a lifetime. I have had good times here I must say. I meet three great guys here, my roommates. Friends you keep a lifetime. We have been though hell together and have received our rings together. I will also cherish friendships I have made at the "I". So, hopefully graduation won't be to far away and best wishes to my BRs. Also, I have to give a shout out to my boys on the wrestling team. Thanks for the good times.

Dyke 1991: Joe Levine
Dyke 1997: Hasani "Saki" Menefee

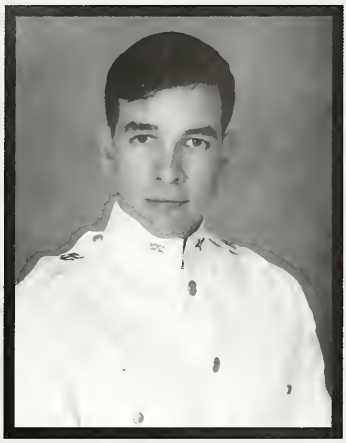
Michael Joseph Johnson

Mechanical Engineering / Air Force
"The Friendly Rabbit"

Tina, what can I say!? Thanks for the four years of loyalty and love, we made it. I'll love you always. Dad and mom, thanks for everything you have sacrificed for me over the years. Without the help of God and the prayers of others I couldn't have made it. Thank you all. Paul, countless times I have told "turn your missile key!" BUT PLEASE DON'T!! Kochaanooowski, may you get as large as Conan. Nelson, all I can say is "Derby, Derby". Sam, keep practicing the guitar you too can someday be as good as I am. Its been great living with you guys. I'm glad to have had you all as roommates and proud to call you all friends. Thanks for the good times. Sean Dickman, you may not be here, but you're remembered every time I look at my hand and see The Ring, thanks. To all my brother rats, good luck in your futures. Mike have fun in the next three year struggle.

Dyke 1991: Chris "Izzy" Isakov
Dyke 1997:: Mike "I Forgot" Renn

Rat 4; Cpl 3; Sgt 2; Pvt 1; Martial Arts 3; Boxing 3,2; 2.0 & Go Club 4,3,2,1; ASME 1;Chesapeake Frequent Traveler Club 3,2,1 "No Parking" Club 1; Polar Bear 2,1



Rudolph Charles Johnson
Chemistry / Navy Civilian Corps
"Rudius Maximus, Rudy, Tudy"

Why did I ever transfer here from George Mason University? Good Question, now it's time to go back to the real world, and grad school. I've had the best of times and the worst, but through it all I've had great friends. Thanks to my BR's, especially my roommates Brian Duke, Matt Camfield, Tom Deaver, Cory McCallum, and those roommates who've come and gone. McSquiggle and Dave Phelps, you've been great Codykes from the beginning. To Mom, Dad, and all of my brothers and sisters, you sent my hundreds of pounds of food over the years, and put up with VMI as much as any other. To my BR Chemistry majors, and Dominoes Pizza, you've helped supported me in my academics through the years of lab reports a nd experiments. Hey Jeff, grow some hair, party more, and don't turn into an EE nerd. Farewell VMI.

Dyke 1991: Chris Buckland
Dyke 1997: Jeff Henderson

Thomas Harlan Johnson, Jr.
English / Army
"Ty"

On the verge of graduation I look back on my four years and one phrase comes to mind. The phrase I am referring to is "V.M.I. is a great place to be from, but not a great place to be." I hope this phrase is true, but only time will tell. Mom and Dad thanks for getting me through this place, y'all made the difference. A special thanks to you Dad for footing the bills. Kathy you are the one that kept me going when things got tough. I look forward to our wedding with much anticipation. Sebastien, good luck in the French Army and We'll be visiting soon. Dups as senior man in the room I would like to wish you good luck in my absence. Hurry up and graduate. To V.M.I. good riddance maybe I'll come back some time. I just hope the administration keeps on giving out such good deals.

Dyke 1991: Patrick S. Coffman
Dyke 1997: Springer, B.M.

Christopher L. Ratchford
English, Spanish / Army
"Chris"

Now that I'm an alumnus I suppose they'll be asking for money. Milton foreshadowed the VMI dilemma when he wrote "In the truth there is heresy" because heretic or not I'll probably be writing the first check soon. Strangely enough, it seems that it was the same conservative, traditionalist values impressed upon me within the four walls of the Institute which made me search that much harder for avenues of a modern-Renaissance nature, tapping what was only dormant potential before. Yet, one fact rings certain above all else. I've just graduated at a time when the job market is the worst it has been in 10 years. Pero, no pasa nada. Most important, a bit THANK YOU and I LOVE YOU to my family. Good luck to the boys in the future. Free at last, free at last. Dulce et Decorum est.

Dyke 1991: Ricky Allen Kimmel
Dyke 1997:

1st Class Pvt.; Varsity Swimming 4; Pres. ACS 4; VMI Robotics Research 3,2,1; Academically damaged 4,3,2,1.

Engaged to Kathy Jones 2,1; First Rat Sentinel; Eight specials in one day; Confinement King 4,3;

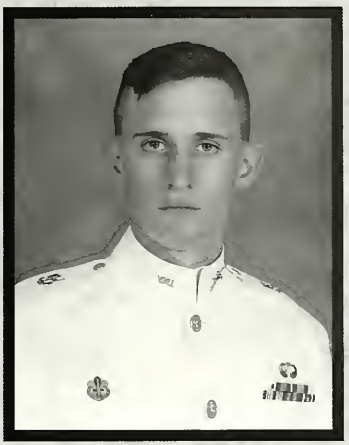
Dean's List;Soccer 4;Tanker Plt 3;Debate Team 3,2,1;USMC Marathon 2;Water Polo 2; English Soc 4,3,2,1;PreLaw Soc 4, 3, 2, 1;Timmins Soc 4, 3(Sec), 2(VP), 1(Pres);VMI Rangers 1;Universitat de Valencia 2,1.

Stephen L. Woodruff Kavanaugh

German / U.S. Army
"AirKav, Goat"

It is hard to believe that these four years are finished, but we finally did it. It will be tough not seeing all of the friends everyday. I think that even if we don't want to believe it or not we actually do love this place with all its security and help. As we go off and find real jobs all we have to do is remember that our BRs are probably going through the same stuff somewhere else. George have fun in the Corps you'll do well, SEMPER FI. Probably see you at 8th & I one day. Derek if you get your way you'll probably be in charge of some electronics developing firm so your talents will be well used. Thanks for being a roommate who was easy to live with, it was fun even if I was only an L.A major. Thanks also Dale, Scott, Jay, Chris, Turd, Matt, & Jeremy hope you all have fun with your lives in the future.So long "Mother I", the four years were fun, but it's time to go.

Dyke 1991: Dean Bailey
Dyke 1997: Nick "stinky" Stankovich



Harrison Hawthorne Kelly

Civil Engineering / Army
"H, H-Mon, Holly Hell, Flopper"

Four years ago my father strongly encouraged me to enter VMI. I often wondered why in the hell I was putting myself through it. Now that it is just about over, I finally understand, thanks Dad. I would like to also thank all my family members for helping me through the tough times, especially my brother, Mac, for making my first two years much more enjoyable. In addition, I would like to thank all my roommates, Jim, Chris, and Fritz, for taking me in third class year and making my life at VMI much more enjoyable, even though you guy really gave me hell at time. Finally, I would like to thank all my brother rats for all the support they gave me during Desert Storm. Tim, take care of your self, hopefully I have given you all the knowledge that you need to survive this place. Well see y'all latter.

Dyke 1991: Colly Donavan
Dyke 1997: Tim Rigney

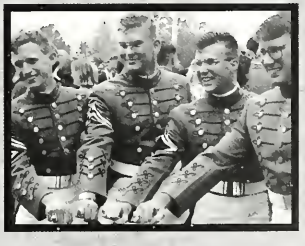
Steven Mark Kidd

English / Special Student
"Suave, Billy, Flash"

VMI was once called the "last bastion of overt sexism." However, it can only be described as the last bastion of overt masochism. I've spent half my cadetship cursing myself for being here, and the other half laughing over the reasons I swore. This school is the most awkward experience I have ever endured. As I ponder the reasons I came to VMI, an innocent and blurry haze is all I recall. I have survived this relatively stable insanity through the misguided directions of a select few. Thanks guys. Dave, we batted a .1000, and I must submit to the undeniable reality that only that retarded cat could endure the two of us. Paige, you've heated my desires to flee several times, but I've stayed for you. I'll never regret my VMI experience, in fact one day I know it will be cherished. Yet, in closing, I must declare it's all for you Pop.

Dyke 1991: Tom Dumouchelle
Dyke 1994: Mario Lorenzato

BD Co XO:1, Ops Sgt 2, CPL 3; Cadre 1; CWRT 3,2,1 ,CWRT VP 1; Ranger CO 4,3,2,1; Brass Ensemble 4,3,2,1; 116th INF 4,3,2,1; Unauthorized Frig Club 3,2; Lack Of Own Car 2,1



Brother Rat of the Year; 1st Corporal 3; 1st Sgt 2; 2nd Bat. Cdr. 1; Mullen's 11 Club; Army Scholarship; putting up with Jim and Chris; Camp Hua

F-Troop 4,3,2,1; Rugby 2,1; English Society 4,3,2, President 1; APO 2,1; Cadet Staff 2,1; Bomb Staff 2,1; D.L.O. 2; Dean's List 2,1; "Absolut" Mania 4; Wet Bar 3; Club 276; Captains Quarters

Jacob William King
Physics / Special Student!
"Huckleberry Clue, Bob"

To all science guys, I leave the ability to work till the wee hours of the morning and still fail tests. To my dykes, I leave my never ending quest to figure out why I continue to go to VMI. To Senor Hickman I leave my broken motorcyle parts. To Matt I donate S-6 stripes so that he may never have to march parade. "Jabba" gets to sleep next year without me to disturb him; that's all he wants. I want to thank my family, B.R.'s, friends, and Brandi for helping me through VMI. I don't know what I would have done without you all.

Dyke 1991: Roger Jarrel
Dyke 1997: Homer Kompthrath

Brian Keith Kochanowski
Chemistry / USMC Special Student
"Kochanoowwski!!"

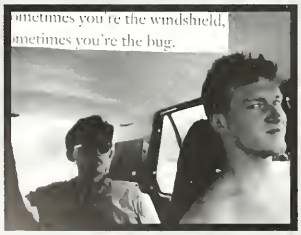
Now it is about time to sum up my four years at VMI. As in my usual style, I'll be quite brief. What a senseless waste of human life! No, not really. These past four years have certainly changed me for the better from when I matriculated. To mom and dad, thank you very much for your support without which this trip could not have been possible. Mike, Nelson, and Paul, in case you are looking to see if you are in here, there you are. Junior, you did a great job, keep up the good work in your years to come.

Dyke 1991: Mike Dudas
Dyke 1997: Mike Russell

Derek Attila Kovacsy
History / Army
"The Hun, AT&T"

When I began looking for colleges, I wanted to attend one in which people were honest and had some sense of priniple. I knew that I would not compromise my principles in order to conform to the modern day definition of political correctness, thus I decided to become a Rat. Although VMI is not perfect, it does make the greatest attempts at maintaining the old fashioned values I've been searching for. In the past four years here, I have been greatly challenged and was given the opportunity to acheive all my college goals. Now it's on to the real world where there is no Honor Court, no Brother Rat system, and no discipline. Although VMI has come close to giving me an ulcer, it was a nice break from a world in which most are just out for themselves. To all that have made my four years here possible... Thank you, They have meant more to me than can be expressed.

Dyke 1991: Rick Neff
Dyke 1997: Dave Harbeck



VMI's own, "The Lounge" and "The Good Vibe Tribe" 3,2,1; Rank!!! 3,1; Local boy 4,3,2,1

Private 4; corporal 3; private 2; Lt. 1; Rat training 2; Academically extinguished 4,3,2,1

Chiang-Pin Kuo
Civil Engineering / Army S.S.
"The Master"

VMI is not for everybody. VMI is not for me, so I did not enjoy my three years-plus stay. I did make it this far and I would like to thank the people who were responsible because they are the things that matter. Thanks to Dan, Art and Cuong for taking care of me when I was a Rat. Thanks to my Brother Rats, especially my roommates, for without them, I would have gone insane a long time ago. Thanks to the Institute for everything. A special thanks to my roommates in first class year, with their love, I made it to the end. They are Razor, Andy and Mike. Even though my stay at VMI has not been enjoyable, I did have a few good moments. However, I would not want to do this again. When I get out of here, I will be happy finally. For those who are still here at VMI when I graduate, better you than me.

Dyke 1991: Su-i Daniel Huang
Dyke 1997: William Michael Moody

Daniel Paul Labyak
Civil Engineering / Navy
"SACK"

Well Mom, I know that you are still in the state of shock that I finished VMI. I have a lot of pride that I stuck with my decision to come here. VMI is not for everyone, but, it offered me the opportunity to grow and really understand who I am. I have learned a valuable way to live life and that is to be yourself. Mom and Dad, I owe you a world of thanks, because it would have been a waste if I never figured out the person you two created. To Carter, Scott, Joe, Bud Man, and Frank, I would not have learned so much if it were not for your influence. I thank you for being the best roommates and putting up with me! I'll really miss you. To my rat, Blair, aka. Dude, you were the best rat. You have the potential to go far. Of all the talks we had, remember two things: be true to your word and always be yourself! I love it when a plan comes together.

Dyke 1991: Charlie Schindler
Dyke 1997: Blair "Dude" Gregory

Edward Sean Lanier
History / Army
"Humperdink"

Where in the hell did four years go? I can still remember Matriculation Day because that was the first day that I had even been to VMI. I can honestly say that I didn't know what to expect, but looking back I know what I have received. All the days of being "clueless" slowly molded me into who I am today the "VMI MAN" Scary huh? The only regret is that I wish that I was here for my 3rd class year inwhich a gap was placed between me and my BR's and separates me from graduating with you all. I would like to thank my mother Latishia Lanier, my ex- fiancee Kim Wynn for their support for without them I would not be here today. I would also like to thank all of the people who said I couldn't succeed at VMI for you have only motivated me to prove other wise. I pass on to my DYKE all of my knowledge and hope that he can use my experiences to help him succeed.

Dyke 1991: Michael Parnell
Dyke 1997: Eddie Winston

Virgin Private
Getting married with a girl I will always love.

Golf Team 3,2,1; Navy ROTC Scholarship 3,2,1; Corporal 3; Dean's List; Tau Beta Pi 2,1; Community Service Chairman ASCE 1;Vice President Trident Society 1; 2nd Bat.S-6 Lt., Uncle (KLG) 1

Pvt. 4,2,1; Promaji Club 4,2,1, Big Brother Assoc. 2; Monogram Club 2; Track & Field Team 4,2,1

Brian Michael Larue

Modern Language./ Army
"Sarge, Outlaw, Squirrel, Psycho"

Marshall once said something to the effect of: "VMI gave me the tools by which to measure men." My experience here is somewhat like that -- though not in a positive sense.I learned about deception and inefficiency, broken promises and fraud. Welcome to life I suppose.Despite all the crap I endured @ this school,I have one thing to say to VMI, the Corps and the Administration:**You tried to beat me and you failed.**To my parents: Thanks for giving me the courage to go on, not just here but in life itself. The end of struggle is just about over for you too. I LOVE YOU BOTH.Geno and Steve, we ain't done yet -- see ya out there. Julie, hang in there and may you be happy with what you choose and may your college years be better than mine. I love you. Well, I believe its time for me to fly. I have struggled, but like Pearl Jam says "I'm still alive."

Dyke 1991: Chris Serwinski
Dyke 1997: Justin "cheezeball" Cheezum

Lolo Firman La Sida

Computer Science / Army S.S.
"Coconut King"

Time, befriend me.
For I desire not to be your enemy. But if
You should be, take Haste and Ignorance to your side,
Let Faith and Patience come to mine.
Our strength shall them be equal,
that Truth alone may be the victor.

Mama and Papa, my accomplishments will never measure up to your sacrifice. Ira, love cultivates; this is to keep ours growing. Finally, thanks to the Kings, the Gottwalds, and Mr. Brickner '56.

Alhamdulillahi rabbil-Alamin

Dyke 1991: KC Jung (Taiwan, ROC)
Dyke 1997: Manny "Mexicana Bean Head" Correa

Jon MacLennan Lauder

Civil Engineering / U.S.M.C.
"Lauds, Laudermon, Woody"

"For of those to whom much is given, much is required." This phrase, quoted from President John F. Kennedy, are words that truly stand for my experience at VMI. The Institute gave me the opportunity to undertake such vanishing virtues as honor, loyalty and sacrifice. In return, it was my responsibility to prove to VMI that I could uphold these qualities like the VMI men who were my predecessors. Whether I fulfilled my responsibilities to the Institute, my family and friends, and my love—Pamela, may be answered by four questions once asked by President Kennedy to this nation. First, were we truly men of courage. Second, were we truly men of judgement. Third, were we truly men of integrity. Finally, were we truly men of dedication. I answer Yes!

Dyke 1991: Martin J. Heinze
Dyke 1997: Joshua Balew

Pre-Strain '90; cpl.3; sgt.2; Hotel XO 1; RDC 1; Airborne 3; H20 Polo 4; Football 3; RNGR COMP Co 1, 4,3; MBC heat-seeker 4,3,2,1; Nutty guy 4,3,2 Ringfigure'94,1; Copenhagen Oral Cancer Club 4,3,2,1; IHTFP 4,3,2,1

Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, Distinguished in General Merits, The Royal Military College of Science (England), Boxing Team, Math Tutor, C Co. S-2 Lt, Mallory Hall Dweller of the Year '93-94.

1st Captain, Regimental Commander, Reg. Sgt. Major, Color Cpl, 1st Cpl B-Co., USMC OCS, USMC Scholarship, Pres. Semper Fi Society, RDC, ASCE, Tau Beta Pi, Deans List, May '94-2Lt. USMC.

Peter Wade Lawrence

Electrical Engineering / Navy S.S.
"John McEnroegain"

Racquet in hand I strolled up to the arch, Asked the guard to show me to the tennis courts, But he led me into the lion's den, that held a million angry clones of him, Made it thru becuz a BR in my company, Had the same external identity, And every time I made a mistake, They'd be on him like stray dogs on a steak, {Oh my god, what have I done,this ain't no place for a liberal Texan} Thru the years I shared cells with 2 Army freaks, Stinky,and 2EEs (One was a neck from the Well,the other a hippie), The EEPD hit us with everything they had, They had us beat but forgot to Ziplock the body bag, {Oh my god,what have I done,this ain't no place for a liberal Texan}, I'd like to thank the team & everyone for their support, Next time I'll be more careful when I ask directions to the tennis courts, And when I see that diploma stand, I'll order a Coke and a diploma and be gone as quick as I can.

Dyke 1991: Jack "Woody" Woodfin
Dyke 1997: Clint "Toolin'" Dulin

Tennis Team 4,3,2,1:Tennis Team Captain 1

Francis Joseph Ligday III

Civil Engineering / Army
"Fritz-mon, Fatz, Mr. LiDay"

Four years ago, I came to VMI partially because I wanted to be part of a great tradition, and partially because VMI was the only school that accepted me. Now, after being here for four years, I couldn't have made a better decision. This road less traveled has lead me through Death Valley, around the dismal swamp, to lookout mountain, and now to the sea of opportunity. I leave only the misery behind so others can be as lucky as I was to experience it, and take with me a great education, a ring, a diploma, and friendships to last a lifetime. All and all, VMI has given me the foundation to build the rest of my life off of. Thanks to my mother and father for all the sacrifices you made to send me to school here. Thanks to all the people who helped me get to today. I will never forget you.

Dyke 1991: Todd Kuchler
Dyke 1997: Chris Coats

Track:All Southern Conference Athlete-35# & hammer throw, Southern Conference Champion-35# throw; India Co. OGA Representative; U.S Army Scholarship; Commission U.S Army.

Glenn Everett Light

Marine Corps / Engineering
"GE, Lightster, Lightbulb"

Coming here as a rat I would of never imagined what this place would do to me. I was eager and thought I was ready for the challenges VMI would present to me. What I learned was how naive and unprepared I was. This place has taught me so many things about myself and has instilled a great sense of pride. No where else could anyone have the unique experience that VMI delivers. I will always cherish the memories that I have from here. I would have never made it without my brother rats and family. I thank you all who helped and supported me through my years at VMI. I wish the best to you and God bless. Good luck Jim - keep at it and you'll do fine.

Dyke 1991: Jim Demers
Dyke 1997: Jim Thomas

Rat Challenge 4,3,2 Cadre Corporal 3 Master Sergeant 2 Executive Officer 1 ASME 2,1 Semper Fi Club 2,1 Rugby 1 In too much trouble 2 Hopelessly wanting amnesty 2 Special Operations platoon 4

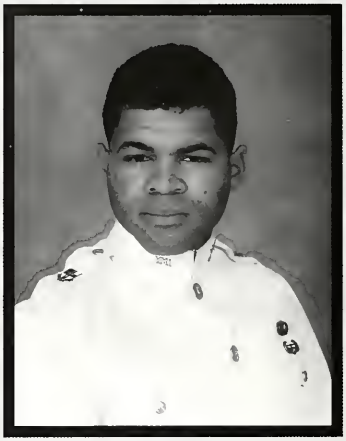
Cloyd Dennis Lilley

Electrical Engineering / Army
"Clyde, EE Big Three, McGinn's Boy"

After four years of VMI, I can honestly say that I have abhorred every waking moment of my cadetship. Although I know that after I depart Limits Gates, the bad memories will fade away and only the good ones will remain. Mom & Dad, thank you for the love and support which you have given me over the past twenty-two years. Without you this would have been impossible. Coley, thank you for preparing me for the rigors of the institute and the troubles facing me in the outside world. Derek and Chris, after thousands of labs and assignments, we finally made it. Rat's of 124, study hard and persevere. One day you will see the light at the end of the tunnel. Shelly, your love made this place bearable at times. I only wish that you could have been with me all four years. I promise we'll make up for lost time. Good luck Class of 1994 and may God bless you all.

Dyke 1991: Coley Donovan
Dyke 1997: Shannon Ferguson

Graduation 1; Eta Kappa Nu 2,1; NSPE 2,1; Dean's List 2; Ranger Company 3,2; DWGB (Dealing with Geekboy) 3,2,1; BOHICA 4,3,2,1; Cpl 3; Pvt 4,2,1



Eugene Raymond Long Jr.

Int'l Studies and Spanish / Army
"Geno DAS Longer YoMan JOIZEY"

First to Mom, Dad, my Dykes & all those who believed in me when all others left, THANX. To those who said I would fail and drove me on by doing so, just hope I don't find you. I've earned a lot about myself & people in the eternity (4 yrs) that I spent here & if I can say that I took one thing away from my time here (aside from a big ring and Diploma) it would be that. I'm not sure where I'll be going on the ROAD in the future (though the ARMY will decide some part), but I'm sure what I've learned will serve me well. Final woidz of wisdom my buds: (No 1st Name) Larue, it doesn't matter where the road goes, its the road itself that matters, you're welcome in the Bar when it opens, bring some fish; To Thin Man Volgyi, YO..Fore Dog. To Ray (Go study) & all 141 rats, remember, they'll try to teach you alot here, what you learn is up to you.

Dykes 1991: Sluggo Sullivan ('90), McCaig ('90), Infantino ('89)
Dyke 1997: Raynor (Sniper) Roberts ('97)

Rat 4 Cpl 3 SGT 2 LT 1 Airborne 4 Air Assault 3 CTLT 795 MP 2 Army (BLECH) Staff 4321 (HUA Co/Challenge, S4) Martial Arts 1 Dean's List 432? Promaji 4321 Club Rack-In-Class 4321 Burned out Bouncer Staff 3,1

Matthew Joseph Losquadro

Civil Engineering / Special Student
"Matt, Losquido, Squid"

I hated being here. I hated the administration, their rules, their discipline, and their "rewards". These past four years have been the most difficult I have ever known. "College will be the best four years of your life." Whoever said this has never been to VMI. It was a trial. It was torture. Every day I searched for reasons to stay. I found several: my mother, my father, my sister, my girlfriend Kristi, Jammer, my friends Herb, Chris, Riv, Ham, Asphalt, and the rest of my BRs too numerous to mention in 13.5 lines. You have all made VMI truly "the best four years of my life." I wouldn't change a thing. Thank you. "It's a sin that somehow, light is changing to shadow, and casting its shroud, over all we have known, unaware how the ranks have grown, driven on by a heart of stone, we could find that we're all alone, in the dream of the proud." - Pink Floyd

Dyke 1991: who?
Dyke 1994: Sean "Lats" Ladrigan

Private 4,3,2,1; Special Student Forces Agent #8.13.88KBILYF 2,1; Fluids Confinement 2,1; Hermityermityermitage 2,5; College Republicans 1; Firefighters 2,1; Get The Led Out 4,3,2,1; HD

Louis Benson Louis IV

Biology Major (BS), Air Force
"Cadaver, Louie Louie"

To my Friends, Brother Rats, Family and Roommates:

If I ever become a rich man,
Or if ever I grow to be old,
I will build a house with a deep thatch
To shelter me from the cold,
I will hold my house in the high woods
Within a walk of the sea,
And the men that were boys when I was a boy,
Shall sit and drink with me.
[Hilaire Belloc]

Dyke 1991: Jeff Covey
Dyke 1997: Oliver Johnson

Jamel Pleasant Lynch Jr.

Electrical Engineer, math / Air Force

Praise GOD! With His guidance I survived this foreign land called V.M.I. As I leave with a stronger thirst for knowledge, I will never forget the guys or experiences during my "stay". Only God could bless me with the parents I have, whom my love for is deeper than words can express. I can only pay back a fraction of what you have done for me, and now I want to begin doing that. V.M.I. would not be the same without you Chris, thanks for making it fun and being the brother I never had. Vince you invented "stracktisity", to the Nth power! Brother "Dame", I have discovered a priceless and rare gift in you, a true friend. J. Goode, one of the greatest pleasures in life is doing what they said you couldn't do. After many nights in NEB, together, we have reached that seemingly impossible plateau. To my Brothers in Christ and the Promaji club, may you find the gift of life, which is true love, joy, peace, and happiness in the Kingdom of God!

Dyke 1991: Greg Fitz
Dyke 1997: Thomas Keiser, Mitchell Webb

Timothy Patrick Lyon

Int'l Studies & French/ Air Force
"Squirrel"

I should begin by thanking God and my parents for sending me to VMI. The Institute has garnered a love/hate relationship for me. I hated putting up with the inconveniences but loved to say I went here. The four years of my cadetship have been filled with mixed emotions. In retrospect, VMI has taught me to appreciate those little things that I took for granted before coming here. I have learned so much in my four years at the Institute. The friendships I have made will last a lifetime. I feel fortunate and thankful for having received the "VMI experience"; because it is not of this world. I am not going to miss my four years as a cadet, but will miss the mystique and aura that only VMI possesses. Someday, I hope I can return to Post and feel it again.

Dyke 1991: Mike Robertson
Dyke 1997: James Rodgers (Jim) and Terrence Minor (Terry)

Private 4,3,2,1; Dean's List 4,3,2,1; AC Stars 2,1; Phi Kappa Phi 2,1; Elf 2; Fencing 4,3,2; Florida Club; Green Meadows Farm Hand;

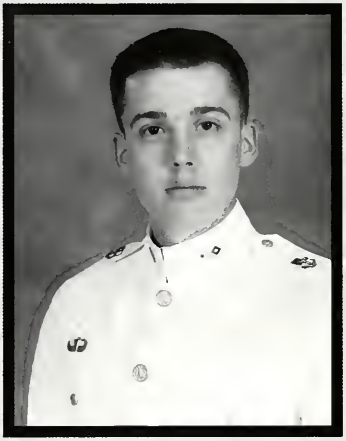
Pres. Promaji Club, V. Pres. IEEE, V. Pres. Pre-law society, V. Pres. Gospel choir, V. Pres. Religious Act. Committee, Southern Conf. Championship Track Team

Pvt 3,2; First Batt S-2 1; Track 4,3,2,1; Canterbury Club 4,3,2,1; Arnold Air Society 4,3,2,1; Pi Delta Phi 2,1;

Matthew David MacNeilly
History / Army
"Pook"

First: Thanks, Mom and Dad, for making this all possible. Second: Tom, Chuck, Dave, Chicken, and Mark-y'all kept me sane more than you know. Thanks for the help, and for putting up with me in the mornings. I wish each one of you the best of luck, and hope we stay as close as we are now. Third: Miri, your love is the reason I stuck it out. You have changed me more than the "I" could ever hope to. It's finally time to turn our dreams into reality. Pridgen, learn from my mistakes, and stay out of trouble. I have learned alot from this school, not all of it was good, but I'm glad I learned it here and now. To sum it up, the "I" taught me that doing what's right can cost you more than doing what is easy, and that the people that tell you to trust them should be watched the closest. "I've cut against the grain, but I've kept my peace of mind."

Dyke 1991: Matt Gaddis
Dyke 1997: James Pridgen



Michael Anthony Magliocco
Computer Science / Army
"Mag man, Casper, Mags, etc. "

"My God, where has all the time gone?" is the expression that immediately comes to mind as I sit here, writing my first class history. I would like to thank all of my brother rats who supported me, especially David (Nuwanda) Guthrie and Jeff (Xavier) Moore, who had the pleasure of rooming with me for three years. Well, Dave, actually two and a half (we won't mention your spring hiatus third class year. Also, to Mom, Dad, Mark, and Grandmom, who gave me encouragement all throughout my cadetship. I can not forget all of the computer work with the Indonesian Nightmare, the Korean Super Cadet, the West Virginia Bear, Russ, and Shogun. Matt, I would not forget you either. It would be safe to say that others will not forget you either, especially with your lasting impressions on Dave, Jeff, and our dykes. Finally, Phu, study very, very hard. You can do it if you want to, and I know you can.

Dyke 1991: Matt Amato (Legend)
Dyke 1997: Phu Trinh (Boody)

Peter Charles Major
Economics / Air Force S.S.
"Pete"

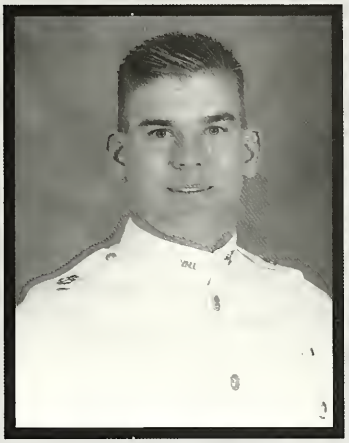
First I have to start with Stu and Rusty, thanks for everything you two have great lives ahead of you. Joey, keep in touch and remember all the good times. Geof, quit stressing and you'll be all right. Todd and Jimmy thanks for all the rap sessions. Room 101, always remember the trips and everything else we did. Trash and Spank thanks for all the late nights together and John I'll never be a neck. Doons, at least we didn't break any bones. Sean, hope you do well and always remember "the Meathead". James, Gene, and Fab you can thank me for the funds you took from me later. Trey have fun and keep your grades up. Finally, Mom, Dad, Tim and Ann thanks for all the support and I'll pay you all back.

Dyke 1991: Pat Madigan
Dyke 1997: Trey Higgins

Cadre:3,2,1: Corporal, Master Sgt., XO: Busted: 3,2,1; Ranger Co.: 4,3,2: Bissel's - hit List: 3,2,1; IHTFP: 3,2,1; Police Cadets: 1; Rat Challenge: 1; RDC 1

Dean's list; Rifle team-4,3; SLI-3,2; Tanker Platoon-1; Cadet Waiter-4,3,2,1 Assistant Head Waiter-1

Graduating on time and maintaining my sanity. Enough said.



Charles Falconer McCallum III
History / Special. Student
"Cory, Mac"

When I came to the Institute, I was not sure why I had made this choice, and I'm still not. It has been a fascinating last four years. I have learned much about myself and others during this time. As my father put it in his history -- "Not all VMI men are to be idolized—there are just as many duds at the Institute as at any other college." I have also found this to be true. However, in my first class year, I feel I have found some real VMI men; Brian, Matt, Tom and Rudy. I will always remember the lessons learned here and hope others have learned from me. Good luck Christopher, and I hope the rest of your Cadetship will be as enjoyable as our two years together. Jimmy have fun and relax. The grades will come on their own.

Dyke 1991: Bob Pedigo, Harris Hollans
Dyke 1997: Jimmy Smythers

Christopher Michael McClung
Biology / Army
"Chris-Mon, Clue, Thug, McBung"

"The mind can make a heaven of hell, or a hell of heaven."

Marlowe, on VMI

O.K. maybe this place wasn't the big mistake that I thought it was. I came here a kid from Tennessee, and left a VMI man. Along the way I accumulated a couple of nice trinkets. A couple of rat bibles, a pretty ring, a diploma, and the best friend that a man could ever ask for. I would like to say to my mom, dad, and brother Matt, I love you for your hope and the understanding. To all of my friends (Gerry, Steve, Aaron, etc.) thanks for the good times. Finally, to Jimmy, H, and Fritz, thanks for taking care of me, and getting me through the bad times. I love you guys. I came here on August 1990 and I'm outta here May 1994. Zipper Head, take care of yourself, I hope that I have been a good dyke because you sure have been. It's been a hoot y'all. In Aeternum

Dyke 1991: Pat "Mad Dog" Madigan
Dyke 1997: Philip "Zipper Head" Zoffuto

James Joseph McCoy
Civil & Environ. Engineering / Army
"JimyJoe, Big Earl, JimMon, TEXAS"

4 years of Hell in a place that I couldn't leave even though the thought came up more times than I can recall. Looking back on the past 4 years...Rat year, took Forever , 3rds do eat SH#@! and F=ma,or something like that,2nd class, R.F. '94 was great and 1st class, I can finally see the light, but it's getting darker. This place gave me things that I will never forget, and friends-the best in my life..Fritz calm down before you TROW something.'H' I think ya found someone to deflate that head of yours..Steve, you'll get out soon & Chris, who's gonna take care of you now emm? Love ya all & Thanks! Also, I couldn't have done it without my WHOLE family..Thanks & Fr(N)anny your the best! Ken '96 & Jason '97 y'all take care & good luck! Taylor, take care of Steph & "Engineers lead the way" and finally, Kara.."we finally made it thru!" Thanks for everything & see ya soon! See y'all later in Aeternum!!!

Dyke 1991: Brian M. Farrar
Dyke 1997: Taylor G. Edwards

Private 4,2,1; Hop and Floor 3,2,1; Young Republican 3,2,1; VMI Firefighters 1; Circle K 1; Bomb 4; New Courtyard Speed Puddler 4; Get in step MCCALLUM 4(CRUZ); 1(Croley)BR?

Rat-Breakout; Army Scholarship; 3rd- Corporal; put up with H 2nd; Sergeant; Pretty Ring *SNAP*; Camp Hua; put up with H; the roller coaster 1st- Batt. S-5; Beat Mullen at the bone game; put up with H!

Being away from TEXAS & Kara for 4 years; Put up with H; Rat-Breakout; 3rd-Cpl & Physics; 2nd-OpSgt & Ring *SNAP*; Raft & Camp Hua!; 1st-2nd Batt. S-1 & Dyke & Outta Here!!

Scott Addison McCoy
History / Marine Corps
"Nerd,Spaghetti Man,Rooster,Dog"

Well, it has been a hard four years here at the VMI but the time has finally come for the class of 1994 go out and wreak havoc on the whole world. I wouldn't trade my time here for anything in the world and I thank God for giving me the insight to come here and the courage to stay. Mama, Daddy and Julie and the rest of my family, I thank you for always being my foundation. To my wife Laura, I thank you for the last year, thank you for saying yes and look forward to many good years together. Bill, Dan, Andy - you guys are the best. Our cadetship may be over but our friendship will last forever. George, you will always be my brother so Semper Fi. May God always bless the men of the Institute and especially my Brother Rats.

Dyke 1991: Thomas V. Heffern
Dyke 1997: Jason "Stupid Boy" Harms

Travis Nelson McDaniel
History / Army
"Mac, Chavez, Trav-rina"

Only with the grace and love of my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, was I able to complete the VMI experience, and it is to Him that I give all the praise, honor, and glory. Secondly, without the love and support of my mom and dad, this journey would not have been possible. I know I can never repay you, but I am grateful and love you dearly. Chris, Steve, Chuck, and Clay-thanks for all the laughs and the true friendship you have afforded me. The last four years have been a challenging experience-both trying and demanding in many ways. However, deep down, I must admit that the experience has been rewarding and the "path," greatly respected. Undoubtably, the majority of my education has taken place outside of the classroom- in the disciplines of honor, sacrifice, commitment, and perseverance. After acquiring these values, I am gracious and indebted to the Institute. Matt, work hard in all you do and always remember our motto!

Dyke 1991: Pat Womack
Dyke 1997: Matt Donald

James Patrick McKane IV
International Studies / Marine Corps
"Q-Tip, Yoda, POW, Road Kill"

Four years have come and gone at the "I" as I sit here writing my history. It's hard to imagine that my college years are fast approaching an end, especially since as a Rat I was groaning at the four years I had left. My years here have at times challenged me to the point where I wanted to quit and get on with life, but if it's one thing VMI has taught me its to rise above myself and give that 10% more when I thaught I had nothing left to give. Most importantly VMI teaches each person something unique, in my four years it taught me the value of friendship. Chris, Song, Brad, and Kevin, you guys taught me more about myself than you'll ever know. I'll never forget the late night fights and our rag sessions. Strangers we entered the "I", the best of friends we leave it. Thanks! Mom and Dad thanks for the $upport!

Dyke 1991: Ed Murphy
Dyke 1997: Charles Carte

Rat 4; Corporal 3; Master Sgt 2; Reg.XO 1;Band 4,3,2; Cadre 3,2,1; Rat Battalion CO 1; Phi Kappa Phi 2,1(VP); VMI Firefighters 3,2,1; Sigma Delta 1; House Rodent SBC 2; LAURA 2

H.C. 1; FCA 3,2,1(President 2,1); Chapel Marshall 1; Dean's List 4; Football 4,3,2,1; Pvt. 3,2; Batt. S-4 Lt 1; Monogram Club 3,2,1; OCF 1; MNMB MS-1 CO 1; Airborne 3; Country Boy Club; Nashville FTX 2

Deans List 4,3,2,1; Academic Stars 1; Lisbon Embassy Internship 2; Cadet Investment Group 3,2,1; VMI Theatre 3,2,1; Semper Fidelis Club 1; Honorary Member of TTT 2

Christopher B. Meacham
Civil Engineering / Air Force S.S.
"Meach,Fat Monkey,Skinny "

Four years went by so quick, but the days and weeks went by so slow! Mom and Dad, you were there every step of the way and words can't express what having you there meant to me. I love you both very much. Mark, I truly enjoyed those times at JMU. Becky, I'll always remember the fun we had at VMI and JMU. Both of you, thanks for listening, understanding, and supporting me. It meant more then you realized. Yeatts, hope married life is good to you and I'll never forget Mach 1 from JMU. The days in Timmons and hassling your gorilla went fast. Slong, Korea rules! and keep that temper and the Air Force in line. Skane, SS to 559 to 22, and we made it. Semper Fi?? and 4 1/2 years with you actually was enjoyable. Crab, limit the alcohol and learn to be a little more messy and study less. Jack, good luck in academics and football. Fo, Slack, Whin; 3 2's will always rule.

Dyke 1991: Brian Snyder
Dyke 1997: Jack "Flack" Smith

Football letterman 4,3,2,1; Summer school: pre-strain,4,3,2,1 TTT (3 2's) Distinguished grad; virgin RDC; Ring Figure Blowout '92 (in barracks)

Brian Lee Melvin
Mech. Engineer-Math / Coast Guard
"Melvis, Coast Guard"

Part II: After 5 years of VMI, I think I've had enough. When my BR's graduated in May '93 it was pretty hard to see them go but knowing I only had 1 more year to go made it easier. These have been the 5 most unique years in my life. I'm just glad they are over! 1 still haven't figured out why I came here but I still got a lifetime to find out. Thanks Mom & Dad for all of your love and support and helping me stick with it when 1 thought I would die. Bill thanks for helping me out except the warnings to come here. Eric you taught me well, even if it took a while, Thanks. All of my Ac. BR's ('94 MEs) you guys made the difference at 4 AM in the computer room. Chris and Billy good luck. Jean, Thank You for the last two years, I couldn't have done it without you."And I dreamed I was flying; And high up above my eyes could clearly see; The Statue of Liberty; Sailing away to sea; And I dreamed I was flying." Paul Simon

Dyke 1990: Eric B. Carpenter
Dyke 1993: Christopher R. Jones
Dyke 1994: William Edmunds III (Jr Jr)

Conduct Pro 4, Ac Pro 3,2,1, H20 Polo 2,1,0, Rat 4, Cpl 3, Pvt 2,1,0, Illegal Car Club 3, USCGR 2,1,0, ASME 2,1,0 Rack Pro 3,2,1,0

Aaron Patterson Michael
History / Air Force S.S.
"Mud"

I cannot remember many bad times at VMI. I just recall the fun I had celebrating when they were over. I owe my survival and sanity to all my PALS. Thank You's go out to Camillus for all the talks; BA for wrecking my car; Nub for the night on my dock; Brian for the pillow; Spanky and Steve for two fun years together; Jerry for keeping me from studying and all the smiles; Coop for taking care of me when I could not; Woody for being my best friend no matter what, right or wrong; and Sammy for bringing us all closer together. Mom, thank you for never losing faith in me when I was losing faith in myself. Dad, you are my hero and I could not have done anything without you by my side. I love you both. I have no idea what 1 will be doing when I leave this place. 1 just know I will have a big smile on my face and good memories in my head.

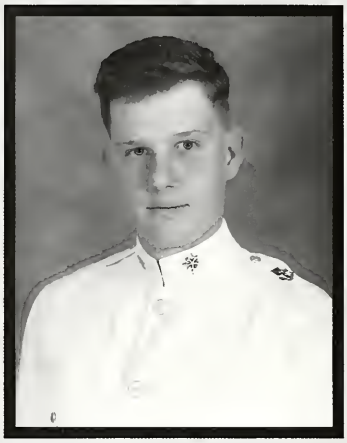
Dyke 1991: Richard "Chief" McCormick
Dyke 1997: David "Coop" Cooper

Dean's List 2,1; Ac Pro 3; Rat Training 3,2; Firefighter 3,2,1; RDC Cadre 1; Alpha Phi Omega 1; Survived Jerry 1; Ghetto 3,2,1; Struggling 4,3,2,1; PALS 4,3,2,1; Jim Beam Stockholder 2.1.

Kevin Christopher Miller
Mechanical Engineering / S.S.
"Miller Stud, Myler, Crab"

Where should i start. i never thought i would ever become a first classman and i still don't believe it. When i first entered VMI i really had no idea of what it would be like. It was a real shock to me what i had done. Everyone else i knew was going to a normal college, loving the parties, and meeting tons of girls. i had giving all that up for this and i hope after graduation i will be able to tell you why. Brad i think if it weren't for you i would not of survived and being your roommate for four years has really meant alot to me. To my other roommates i know i haven't been the easiest to live with but thanks for putting up with me Sang, James, and Chris. i will always remember 122. i owe my ME study partners for helping survive NEB. To my family i love you more than you know. VMI has given me lots of memories and friends that can't be beat. Later!

Dyke 1991: Robert Miller
Dyke 1997: Jeremy King



Steven Douglas Mills
Economics & Business / Air Force
"Nasty, Dude, Mills-Mon, Money"

Can I just say that, it's been a long four years. I came from Germany not knowing what to expect. I can honestly say it was worse than I ever imagined, but its always been an adventure. Dude, 107 could of been, 105 it was. Thanks to all those who helped me through, especially Mom, Dad, Col. Joyner, and Marlboro. Merce we may have started out for our Parents but we have finished being Brothers. Sean, you can come have a smoke with me anytime, anywhere, but I'll drive. Martin, one day you'll find a girl who can't run, HUA. Jim, Chris, Fritz and H RF 94 was incredible and I couldn't imagine better neighbors. Laurie, thanks for putting up with me and that BR thing. So long, see you later!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Dyke 1991: Kevin Helmick
Dyke 1997: Tyler Moore

James Edward Mitchell
Computer Science / S.S.
"Jim, Data"

A history.... I came, sucked it up in the ratline, added a major, later let the other major become a minor, hurt some folks, helped some folks, and will hopefully graduate on time. As I've not much else to say, here's some thanx:

Thanks to my parents for putting up with out-of-state tuition and lousy grades; to Alan Duda for being the epitome of "dyke"; to Cloudy Williams, whose brutal proof courses taught me to think; to Burr Datz for quiet wisdom; to Fr. Biber for direction amid confusion; (special) to 2LT Hale, you know why; to Mike, Blairborne, Alex & the rest of the gang for perspective and good times; to Jamel for his philosophy;

To those I leave behind, may the Lord grant you safety, happiness, and peace.

Dyke 1991: Alan J. (Supergenius) Duda

Swimteam 4,3,2,1 Team Captain; Monogram Club; Tau Beta Pi; Circle K; ASME; Stars; SPE Honorary Member-JMU

All-Pro 4, Forced Sabbatical 3, Marlboro Man 4,3,2,1, Timmons Society 2, Cadet Staff 2,1, Cadet Investment Group 1, Fed up 4,3,2,1 Dadson Forced March Beer Runs 2,1

Glee Club 4,3; Fencing Team 4,3,2 treasurer 2; Newman Club 2,1; Old Corps CRC; Clueless 4,3,2,1; APO 2;

David Earl Moore
Economics / Navy Special Student
"Mooch"

I would like to start off by thanking my parents for there support and love through this trying experience. Mom and Dad, your help really meant a lot to me. I would also like to thank my Fiance for sticking by me through all these years.. Without you, Kristie, this place would have been unbearable. I would like to thank all my friends here at the institute, I will carry all the fond memories with me through the rest of my life. Above all, I would like to thank GOD for giving me the strength to persevere. To the rest of you I leave a little advice, "Sleep, sleep tonight, and may your dreams be realized. If the thundercloud passes rain, so let it rain, rain down on me. So let it be." (U2)

Dyke 1990: Mark Hennigan, Glen Barr
Dyke 1997: M.I.A. after the second week.

Football 4; Ac. Pro 2; "The Spirit" 2; VMI Fire fighters 1.

Jeffrey Howard Moore
International Studies / Air Force
"Sweet Daddie, Xavier, Pukah"

So, this is what it feels like to be graduating. I remember entering limits gates wide eyed and bushy tailed ready to start my four year journey down "the road less traveled." And what a journey it has been! VMI is definitely the toughest row I've had to hoe, but I can honestly say I wouldn't trade it for the world. I'm crazy that way. I want to thank all of my Brother Rats. Without you, I wouldn't have made it. Dave, thanks for all of your demented wisdom and for being my partner in malicious jokes. Mike, thanks for being the butt of those jokes and for bringing me down to earth. Thanks for the footsteps Trae. Stock, take my legacy with you and have as much fun as I did. I made it Mom! Everything I am, I owe to you-thanks! I also owe a debt of gratitude to everyone else that has helped me live through this place. Finally, thanks VMI, for teaching me how to succeed and giving me the resolve to do it.

Dyke 1991: Trae Wilhelm
Dyke 1997: Stock "The Rock" Dinsmore

Private 4,3,2,1, S-5 Staff 2,1, Deans List 4,2,1, Pre-Law Society 1, Young College Republicans 1, Airborne 4, Arnold Air 2,1, Cadet Waiter 2,1, The Daddies 4,3,2,1

Michael John Moore
Civil Engineering / Army
"Moron, Ears, Gomer"

I never thought it was possible to love something yet hate it at the same time, I love VMI yet I hate it. VMI has defined so much of my life during the past 4 years that I can hardly remember who I was before 14 Aug 90. There have been many times when I was ready to quit but all I had to do was look around and think off all the great men who went before me and I would realize what a foolish thing quitting would be. I don't know if I did make the right choice but it sure looks like I did. To all those who have helped, loved, cared, inspired, supported and kicked me in the a__, THANKS, especially you mom and dad, you are the best parents in the world. I do not know what lies ahead after 21 May 94 but I know I will be ready, I hope the United States Army is. RATS of room 109, good luck and Godspeed, stay it is worth it.

Dyke 1991: Jon "Clue" Milner
Dyke 1997: Josh "Alien Brain" Smith

Cpl 3, Sgt 2, Lt 1 (busted); Ranger Challenge 3,2; Ranger Company 4,3,2,1; Preston Society 1; AUSA 4,3,2,1; Airborne; Air Assault; Sem Fan Club 1; Bad Grades 4,3,2,1; Infantry wanna be 4,3,2,1

Alexander Britton Morgan
Chemistry / Special Student
"Axl, Ax, Dictator For Life"

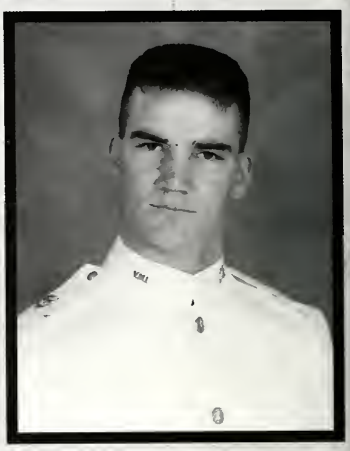
"What a senseless waste of human life.": John Cleese, Monty Python's Flying Circus. Actually, my cadetship wasn't that bad. There were many moments when all seemed lost (Thank you Heinze) but I always bounced back. I trudged along with my head down and when I looked up, it was over. To the Cell Block, thanks for all the fun and good times. Andy, thanks for the enlightened insanity. Jim, Hastur says have fun. Best of luck to you Dan and Sean, wherever you are. Eason may your career in the army be glorious. Paul 1,2,3, Turn! Go kill Yankees. To the Chem Chain gang: Koch, Rudy, Lagerbeer, Hickboy, Wayno, and yes Estes, thanks for the Acetone fumes and shared brain meltdowns. Last, but not least, thank you Julie for all the love and support you have given me ever since I met you. Long Live The Proletariat!!!

Dyke 1991: Reynolds B. Renshaw ('87), Glenn A. Thompson ('90)
Dyke 1997: Spartacus, T.M.

Thomas E. Morris III
Biology / Special Student
"GUN"

Well I don't have much to say but "See Ya." Life at the "I" has been something else, and I have no idea how I made it, but I think it has something to do with being open minded because if not VMI has a way of killing a person, but I also think I made it out because there just so happens to be bar about half a mile away. I would like to thank my mom, and my family for all their help and understanding, and I also would like to say goodbye to everyone, inclunding Bud. See Ya, and watch out because here I come.

Dyke 1990: Mike Pilley
Dyke 1997: Ryan Shy



James Daniel Moseley
History / Marine Corps
"Mongo, MO, Moses, Lurch, Bull"

"That which does not kill you makes you stronger", you would think after four years at the "I" I would be able to leap tall buildings in a single bound. Of course the only reason the Institute didn't kill me was the support of my friends and family. To Mom, Dad, Meredith, Cameron and the new addition Chris, I appreciate you being there for me and putting up with my whining when this place got to be too much. To the guys of 111; Bam Bam, Jesus, Love-mussle, and Little man, I'll never forget the nights of shooting the bull until 0230, or listening to the Jerky tape for the thousandth time. You made my suffering bearable and usually very entertaining. We have all had our conflicts but I'll always be there for you as you have been for me. As for strength, Joe, here everything builds character. PUSH.

Dyke 1991: John Daniel Martin
Dyke 1997: Joseph A. Harrell II

CWRT 4,3,2,1; Militaria Society 3, 2(VP), (P)1; Cell Block 55 3,2,1; ACS 2,1(VP) PVT. 4,2,1; CPL 3; Dean's List 4,2,1; Brain Dead 4,3,2,1; Dictator for Life 3,2,1

Corporal 3; Varsity Soccer 4,2,1; Monogram Club; Pre-Law Society; Dean's List;

All Conference Racker 3,2,1; corporal, sergeant, lieutenant; wrestling (varsity) 4,3; Gunny Reed's Last Bulldog 2; Semper Fi Society 2,1; Politically Correct NEVER.

James Berry Motley, Jr .
Economics and Business / Army
"Cool-Kid, Tightjaw, Crue"

When my Corporals asked me why I came to VMI I told them because I didn't get into West Point. I'm glad I didn't, because coming to VMI was the was the best decision I've ever made. I came here on a mission: to get a commission and graduate. Both will happen soon, so I can't complain. I've learned more than I could have ever imagined and made the best friends a man could ask for. Lumbe, JC, Red, thanks for keeping me in my place, I'll miss you guys. I'd like to thank God for giving me strength and guiding me down the right path, Mom and Dad for pushing me to succeed, C and L for the use of your place at Tech, Grandmother B looking down from heaven(this is for you) and Ashley, you'll always have a special place in my heart. I'm off to serve my country and as long as I have enough gas to get off post after graduation I'll be happy.

Dyke 1991: Kevin "Metal" Helmick
Dyke 1994: Craig "The Cajun Nazi" Himel

Cold Steel Rat 4; Corporal 3; Master Sergeant 2; 3rd Bn Cmd 1; Economic Honor Society 2,1; Deans List 4,3,2,1; Distinguished Military Graduate; MNMB Commander; RDC 1; South Padre Texas 93'

John Claiborne Mountcastle
History / Army
"Clay"

From the moment I got dropped off at VMI in August, 1990- I knew the next four years wouldn't be pleasant. They weren't. There is no way, however, that I would trade my experiences here for any other. VMI has given me pride in my accomplishments, a true love for unsanitary living conditions, and the greatest group of friends I could ever hope for. The fellas in rooms 117, 101, 102, and ESPECIALLY my roommates Charles, Joe, and Gerald got me through this "love to hate it" place by laughing at everything and everyone possible. My parents supported me throughout my cadetship, even though they were usually hundreds of miles away. Thanks Mom and Dad-for everything. Hopefully, I have been able to give back a bit of what VMI and all the guys have given me these past four years. Charles, Gerald, and Joe- Who's turn is it to get the drinks?

Dyke 1991: Russ Raffay
Dyke 1997: Jason Ancarrow

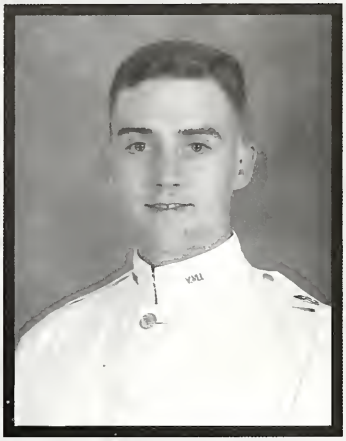
Held some rank 3,2,1; Corps Cartoonist 4,3,2,1; Cadet Program Board 2,1; Hall of Justice 2,1; Drunk Little Villager 2; Texas Tavern Traveller 3,2,1.

Sebastien Francois Moureau
Economics & Business / S.S.
"Frenchy"

Right now, I am a few days away from graduation and I am looking back on my four years, and I am still asking myself the same old question, "What am I doing here", the future will tell me. First of all, I would like to thank the people who helped me during my cadetship: my parents, and the Rutter family. What I will remember about these few years, are my friends: Russell, Mark, Brian, Ty and Dups, I wish them good luck in the future, and hopefully I will see them in France, because like they know, they are always welcome. I would like to wish good luck to my soccer teammates, and to the soccer program. Even so, I had bad moments playing soccer, I had some great ones, and they will be the ones I remember, i.e University of Connecticut, quote of the trip: "you know when we lost (i.e Russell, Mark & Sebastien)? We lost last night". All right guys "a la prochaine"

Dyke 1991: Jaymi Weis
Dyke 1997: Chris Strock, "meathead".

Sgt Major shaving squad 2, Monogram club 1, President of Claiborne shaving & sleeping club, Big Worm Little Worm 1, Soccer 4,3,2,1, All South first team.



Andrew Joseph Mulcunry
History/Air Force S.S.
"Old Man, Gramps"

If I had a nickel for every minute I hated being here I would be a millionaire but I did get a million dollar eduaction... a quarter a day straight up my @$$. To all the other millionaires it has been a pleasure doing time with you and I wish you the best of luck. Espically Danny, Scott and Bill, you guys are the best I will never be able to thank you enough for your support and assistance over the years. Addison, it has been quite an expirence thanks for all the laughs. George, Dale, Jay and Fat Kid it was a pleasure being neighbors. Corp trip '91 and '92 booze cruises with admin approval. Kelley, I will never forget your support and understanding over the years. I only hope that I will be able to repay you two fold someday.

Dyke 1991: Nick Alten
Dyke 1997: Addison Hagan

Jose Luis Pinilla
Ecoomics & Business / USMC
"Pinilla Ice, Panama, Guatamala"

How can I begin to describe my feelings now that graduation is just around the corner? I never thought I would say this, but VMI has showed me, in its own unique way, the beauty of simpleness. I will not miss this place, for I believe that I have put into this endeavor my most priceless possession. I will miss, and very dearly should I say, mostly my roomates. Pat and Sean, you two taught me many things that as a foreigner I could and maybe sometimes it seemed I would never understand. I will never forget you two. To all my other roomates, thank you and goodbye. I have a little bit of each one of you in my mind. I want to thank last, but not least my mother. I owe you my life and my soul. You stood behind me at times when even I wanted to quit. I will be with you forever. Contigo en la distancia...

Dyke 1992: William "fatso" Stone

Corey Francis Murphy
Economics & Business / Marine Corps
"Murf"

I can not believe graduation is almost here. After all, I just got my Ring. 95! 95! 95! Sean I appreciate you pulling me away from here every so often. I needed the bad influence. Matt and Stu I'll miss the hours of B.S. Never could so many topics be covered in one sitting, thanks Matt. Stu the hassle only makes graduation that much sweeter. Matt do not give up your quest for the purple ring. I must thank my family for all they have done for me. Without them I would be lost. Christine you were the one closest to me throughout my cadetship. I owe you so much. Sean and Megan thank you for being there. Finally, Thank you Mom and Dad. Simply, everything I've accomplished is because of you.

Dyke 1992: Paul D. Barnes

Corporal 3; Color Sergant 2; D co XO 1; Historian 2,1; Cadet Staff 4,3,2,1, E-I-C 1; APO 2,1; Pre-Law 2,1; College Republicans 2,1; TCFC 3,2; Fed up 4,3,2,1;

Rat 4, Cadre 3,2 Corporal 3, Regimental S-1 Sgt. 2, Pvt. 2,1, Martial Arts Club 4,3 International Club 4,3,2, Vice-President 2, Rat Challenge 3, Outstanding Leader Award 3, IHTFP 4,3,2 Summer School 4,3,2

U.S.M.C. Bulldog-4, Cpl.-3. 1st Sgt.-1, Cadet Investment Group-3,1, Ring Figure Committee-2

John Foster Murphy
History & Min. English / S.S.
"Murf"

Well, I would first like to say thank-you Mom and Dad for all of your love and support! My V.M.I. experience has been very difficult but your guidance and occasional kicks in the rear were worth it in the end. To my grandparents thank-you for your help and money. I love you all! To Papa Foster, I will always be your name sake and aim straight ahead. I hope I have made you proud! To Michelle Golding (my beautiful girlfriend), thanks for always being there! You are a wonderful young lady and I love you with all of my heart! I will always remember Ring Figure and how you and your dress were the prettiest thing on the dance floor. Jason and John my two good roommates. I have one word for the both of you"WORMS"! To Steve Isola my absent roommate. I will see you again next year, but please remember to leave your little friend home this time. To V.M.I., "SHAAWING" I am outta here!!

Dyke 1991: Julio "Ganja Man" Shaik
Dyke 1997: Jason "Spaz" Bosserman

Break-out'91, Football 4,3, Band one semester, Gim rider, All pro, Busted for Columbian-Boa Constrictor,passed the P.E's pitiful VFT, Rat Daddy, best unknown bugler, Virgin Private!

Camillus Bernard Musselman
History / Army Special Student
"Meeeus"

This place is everything that I was told it would be, YEAH RIGHT! The bad times outweigh the good ones for sure, but they are forgotten and the good ones are remembered. This place has given me the best friends a guy could ever want. I could have never made it with out all of you fools. In our room we have figured out that nobody is ever wrong. Brian we came in together, and will go out together also, keep runnin from the whip. Nub we've had some good times I'm glad we met you country bastard. BA glad you joined us, get out of bed. To all my closer friends Mud, Spankey, Woody , Fab, Gene, James, Radar, Skinnyboy, Piglet, Jerry, Zig, TW, TJ, AL B, and the best dykes ever Biffer.Jorge.Plenty. A special thanks to all the families that helped me out. Finally, Dad, Mom, my loving family, and Kim, I love ya'll thanks for everything, PALS FOREVER!!!

Dyke 1991: Biff " Big Daddy " Beale
Dyke 1997: Robert " Worryman " Worrell

Football 4321, BSB 3, Grady's Club 3, LOST 32, AC PRO 432, CONDUCT PRO 4321, Satisfied loser 4321, DOMOR 4, Ryders Club 1, Promaji, Very Good Attitude 4321, Joan Pinnin fan club 1,

Christopher Robert Myers
Economics and Business / Air Force
"Chris, Pretty Boy, Comedian"

I came to VMI for different reasons (of which I'm still trying to figure out), but now as I see the end of my VMI cadetship I understand that one reason in particular stands out among the rest...to simply be able to say that I am indeed a VMI man. It was an intense struggle that had tremendous ups and downs and like we all were taught rat year we could not have done it alone. Now as I leave the cadet side and walk into this world that this school has prepared me for I must remember who got me here. Indeed I was the one tested and taught and tested again, but I was not ever there alone. God, you go boy. Mom I will love you forever and more and I am so thankful to you for everything. Granny and Grandpa you guys are golden. To J.P. and Vince I thank you also and may God bless you both. To my BRs and to VMI, thanks. Amen.

Dyke 1991: Rodney Edwards
Dyke 1997: Marcus Sanchez

Newman Club 4,3,2,1; Cpl. 3; Col. Sgt. 2; Reg. S-5 1; Promaji Club 4,3,2,1; Cadet Staff 1; Bomb Staff 2; Alpha Phi Omega 3,2,1; Smiles and Ice cream Assoc. 2,1; etc. 4,3,2,1

Brian Mitchell Myslivy

Mechanical Engineering / Navy S.S.
"Mice-man, Mysleevie, Slyvmie"

Well it has been an interesting 4 years and I'm sure that it will be another interesting one next year. I would like thank my parents especially for putting up with the stellar grades, and for the rough times second class year. THANKS Mom and Dad, I will never forget all of the support. Next I would like to say that it's been a great year living with the Pig and Shifty, You all have been a blast and I hope to join y'all in the "real" world next year. Lance, Hang in there, I know that you can make it at VMI, just stop taking First class privileges. Someday those privileges will be yours. Thanks BR's for everything, I hope all goes well for all of you in the future. And one final thanks to Nickie, I Love You!!

Dyke 1991: James McClellan
Dyke 1997: Stephan L. White

Michael S. Nagao

History / Navy
"Naygo, Sparky"

Every cadet could describe Mike in a different way and no one could find a bad thing to say in each instance. His brother rats anxiously awaited each year to see what hair style he had in store for us. The weekends he spent on post were only slightly higher than his GPA, and that's saying alot. Indeed, his academics were so noteworthy that he was given a prestigious semester his 1st class year to study abroad. When not in his rack or in the weightroom, he always had time for his brother rats. If you went to him for advice, you could always expect an answer that came from experience. DJ and Dan had the best roommate possible. Mike always acted to make his family proud, his attachment to them is immense. VMI was the plague of Mike's thoughts every waking moment, but hey, you finally made it. Best of luck in all that you do.

Dyke 1991: Robert F. Cole
Dyke 1994: Michael M. Guarin

Khanh Van Nguyen

Electrical Engineering / Air Force S.S.
"Ted, T.K.O., Ngu-Yen"

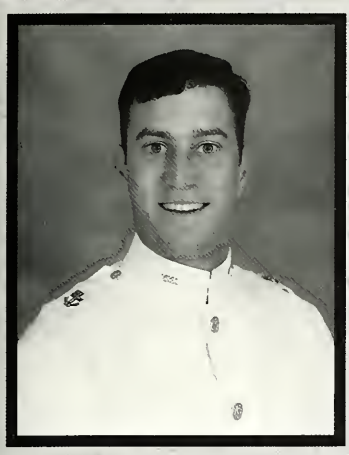
My history is first dedicated to the two most wonderful people in the world, my MOM and DAD. Without you I would not have become the person that I am today. All my life you have given me so much, especially during four years at VMI. It meant a great deal to me, and without your support and encouragements I would not have made it. Thank you MOM and DAD from the bottom of my heart. Secondly, I would like to thank my sisters Tuyet, Thanh, and Nhat for helping and looking after MOM and DAD. Anh hai thuomg ba em va cha me nhieu lam. To my best friends, my roommates Vinh and Wei, thank you for everything you have done for me. I guess I don't have to name them, do I? Always remember the wonderful times we had during our 2nd class year.

Dyke 1991: Nguyen Phu Cuong
Dyke 1997: Nguyen Anh Tuan

Football 4,3,2; Rugby 1; The Patio 3,2,1; Summer School 4,3,2,1

Rat 4; Pvt. 4,3,2,1; Rugby 4; Rat Training 3; Water Polo 3; Roadrunners 2; Ac. Pro. 4,3,2,1.

Corporal 3; Private 2,1; International Club 4,3,2,1; 245-145 crew 2,1.



Jason David Nicholls
English Major / Special Student
"Warbird, Cheese"

I want to Thank the two greatest parents in the world; without them there wouldn't have been a VMI for me. They put up with Packages, long road trips, mucho $, penalties, summer school, and grades. They were always there with love and support. I love you mom and dad! I can never repay what you've given me. John R:I'll never forget BV, the country, our houses, thunderbird nights, summer school, and my sister. You've been a hell of a roommate,and a great friend. To Kidd, Dave, and Chris: Through the beer, laughs, penalties, long talks, and everything else you guy have been the greatest friends! To the Patio:liquor, women, mixers, and Thurs palms trips. Thanx for all the great times I'll never forget. Murph:VFT, days, the worm, police academy, and for always laughing. Cindy:Ring Figure was the greatest weekend of my life!! F-Troop!

Dyke 1991: David Raucher
Dyke 1997: Jason "The Cocky" Middough

Kurt Wilhelm Nitzsche
History / Army
"Neech, Fraiser, 2 Foot, Bismarck"

It is with pride and satisfaction that I look back on my years at the Institute. It would be appropriate to say that it has been a time of mixed experiences. There have been many good times: Breakout, hops, Ring Figure, the Nashville expedition. There have also been many bad times: the ratline, German 201-202, MS 3 FTX's. This is a difficult place to maintain moral sanity and cohesion, but it can be done. To my family I am indebted for their love and support. To the Trough (Chris, Matt, and Lee) goes my gratitude for putting up with me. To everyone else that I could not mention, I have developed some very real friendships. To my brother Erich and my dyke Trey, I wish you success at the Institute and at life. I look forward to seeing everyone in the future. May God watch over us all.

Dyke 1991: Chris West
Dyke 1994: Trey Porter

John Sills O'Keefe
History / Air Force
"Sills, Swills, Stills"

Well, here we go again (hopefully for the last time). Mom, dad, & Matt: thanks for putting up with me. I hope I have made you proud. Dad, I promise not to make any more whining calls to your office. To my professors (esp. Cols. Davis & Thomas & Dr. James): thank you for your wisdom and inspiration. To my roommates (all of them): though you didn't all make it I'll never forget any of you. Thanks for the memories. To Todd: you should see me now! To all my rats: don't give up. And to Traver: thank you for making these last two years my happiest. Without you I would be nothing. Each day I look forward to spending the rest of our lives together. I'll love you forever.

Goodbye VMI! Hello freedom!

Dyke 1990: Todd Blekicki
Dyke 1993: Jon Kucera
Dyke 1996: Pete "@#*@ RANKER" Ehlers

2 Rat #I's: Suspension 3: Boxing 2,1: Private 3,2,1: Room parties 3,2,1: Patio member 2,1: Rat Daddy 2,1: Cadet Staff 1: F-Troop4,3,2,1

Cpl-3; Sgt-2; 1st Batt S-5 -1; Acc Stars; Honors Thesis; Ring Figure Honor Guard; Army Commission; VMI Firefighters; Airborne School; Advanced Camp; Tanker Plt LDR; MS1 XO.

Virgin Pvt; Civilian 3; F-Trooper 4,3,2,1, 1B; BOMB 2,1,1B; Bus Mgr 1B; Taft Room Crew 1,1B; #1 Club 1; Illegal Car Club 2,1; VMI2MBC 1; Midnightrunner 1; Kabel Hall 1;Lived w/ Ranftl 2; Jinxed 2,1; Barracks 500

Patrick Jonathan O'Neil
Mechanical Engineering / airforce
"Jabba" "Piss Boy"

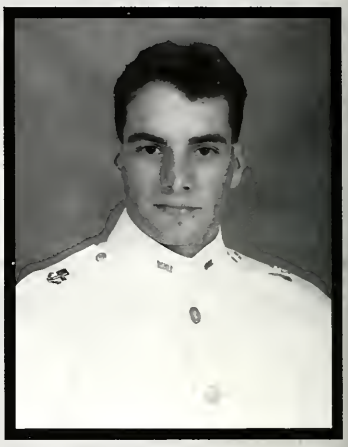
Well the time is coming up for graduation. I wish I could graduate with my friends and BR's but that's the way it goes. Well anyway gookluck to all that are leaving. To the G-Lords, no I don't want a costume. To Aaron, you still can't prove I did it. Hey at least it didn't smell as bad as the cat. Jake, keep up the music and have fun. Sonny good luck the next few years, you'll need it to put up with everything that goes on here. To Mom and Dad thands for everything y'all have done and put up with.

Dyke 1991. Richard McMinn
Dyke 1997. Sonny Compton

Steven Christopher Owens
Economics & Business / S.S.
"Weavie" "Micro" "Tiny Elvis"

Thank you, Mother and Father, for your undying loyalty, devotion, and understanding through my years at the Institute; your gratuity will never be fogotten. I hope that you are as proud of me as I am of you. And thank you, Judith, for the support and love you have shown me. Without you, my last couple of years at VMI would have been impossible.

Dyke 1991: John Shorter
Dyke 1997: Fu-Guo "Richard-Frank" Huang



Herbert Lowell Parsons III
Civil Engineering / Spec. Student

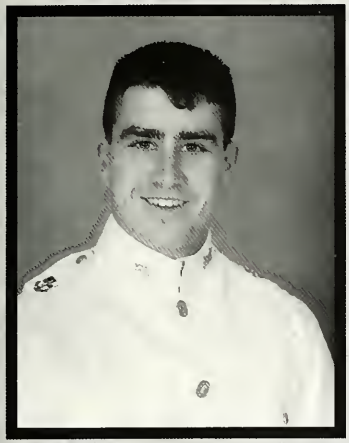
"A glazed look and I was on the road to ruin", "A momentary lapse of reason"? "Welcome to where time stands still", they said with eyes that made me chill, now your "Chained to a world that had departed", if I only new what I had started. "Life it seems will fade away, drifting further every day", "Growing darkness taking dawn, I was me, but now he's gone". "We all have a darkside to say the least" I hit bottom during the feast."They will take and you will give, you must die so they may live","We are all just prisoners of our own device" and so, I am enticed, "To find the passage back to the place I was before" to close the final door! I thank God for strength and courage, Mom, Dad for support and belief, CP,ML,CJ,GS for not letting me quit, and my best friend Carol for listening/helping me through the transition in, during, and out of the longest four years of my life.

Dyke 1991: Jeff Pence
Dyke 1997: Will Martin

Rackaholic 3,2,1. Piss Boy 2, Army Basic and AIT 1, VMIT VP 1, VMIT Tech Director 2

Permit master 4,3,2,1; S-5 Tour guide 4,3; Cpl 3; Guidon Bearer 1

Summer School 4,3,2,1; Mallory Hall 4,3,2,1; Football 4; Boxing 3,2; Second Regional Boxing Tournament



Christopher T. Passarge

Civil & Envir.Engineering / Army
"Sarge, Dawg, Shortdawg, SOG"

I would like to thank my parents and brother and my the rest of myfamily for supporting me for the past four years and making mebelieve in myself. Without your support and understanding I wouldhave never made it. My years here at the Institute have been the best and worst of my life. The best have been with the best roomiesand friends a guy could have. Thanks for everything Sean, Ray, and Fred. Thanks to Herb and Matt for being great study partners and who will forget the summer of '93. I can't forget the rest of my Homies in 149 and the original 389. A special thanks for Chaplin Caudill for being there in some of my hardest times. I can't forget Lorrie for making my last year and the best and the happiest.Finally I would like to say good luck to my BR's and all the dykes in room 106.

Dyke 1991: Timothy Pennington
Dyke 1997 Reese "Chicken Hawk" Edgington

Joshua Daley Paulin

English / Air Force
"Ed, Josh"

Slainte! The Dolorus Stroke was smitten 14 Aug 90. Turning the accomplishment of many yers into an hourglass is difficult. First plaudits go to my beacon, one of the seven wonders of the modern world, the Faros of the English Dept., Col. Gentry. Also, to a somewhat lesser extent, thanks goes to the rest of the department, which shone out like a shaft of gold when all else was dark. These people put into perspective for me, and by their existance, kept me at VMI. Thanks as well to S-50 (Drape-Dog, Pig-pin, All 10, and Earp) who took me in after my peregrinations through dykes, majors, and options. Also, to that rat roomate, whose cheerful "Dude!" brightened many a dull day. To the dwellers of Smith Hall, "G'night everybody! Have a good one! See you tomorrow!" (Work is Hell, Ch. 5). To all my B.R.'s who stayed at the "I" for the full 4, Spain was excelente, thanks. God bless all my visitors: you kept my spirit high. Mom, Dad, brothers and sisters: it couldn't have been done without your support and love. I love you all.

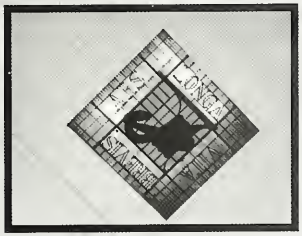
John Samuel Payne, Jr.

Int'l Studies / Special Student
"J.P., Slinky"

Once again I sit in front of a computer not knowing what to write. Much hasn't changed in four years. At least I learned the true meaning of friendship. Grippo, my friend and drinking buddy, thanks for taking care of me when the going got sloppy. Maybe I'll see you in Hotlanta someday. Rich, even if you are stupid, I hope you find the perfect wave. Remember, "Once in a while you get shown the light in the strangest of places if you look at it right."(G.D.) For all of my teammates thanks for the entertainment, and remember what fun it is riding the bus. I wish all of you the best. For all my friends here at the institution all I can say is "Don't wake me I'm Sleepin'". Mimi, Papa, Mom, and Dad thanks for all the support and guidance for the past four years and all my life. I love you all more than you could imagine. Peace! Go Angels!

Dyke 1991: John Jordan III '90
Dyke 1997: Jay Adams, Peyton Martin

S-5 Staff, C Co, Guideon Ranger Challenge, Swimming, Basic Survival of the Institute, and surviving FRED'S WORLD!



Baseball 4, ,3, 2, 1, Circle K 1, Promaji 1, Pervert Corner Club 4, 3, 2, 1; Killian's Red Club 4, 3, 2, 1

Matthew Christian Payne
History / Army
"Payne's Li'l Brother, Slick Daddie"

Over the past four years it has often been hard to believe I am really here. Now it seems even more amazing that it's all about to come to an end. There were certainly plenty of tough times but I was never at a loss for support through any of them. Mom and Dad, I guess I owe a lot of thanks to the two of you for standing behind me. I know you gave up a lot to get me through this place and I apologize for all the worry I know I must have caused you. I owe a great debt to all of my roommates but especially two of them. I don't know how I would have gotten through without Tim and Jim, thanks guys, you made it a much more tolerable experience. I can't say that I wish I could stay but I will definitely miss some things about the place. The Institute kind of grows on you in an odd sort of way. In an even odder way it forces you to grow so now it is time to move on.

Dyke 1991: J.T. Mistr
Dyke 1997: Mike Irlbacher (Irl)

Michael Thomas Peacock
History / Army
"Darkside, Dark"

The best description of my history at VMI is this: I came, I saw, I left, I came back again, and now I'm going to stay a little longer. As the poem goes, we "took the road less traveled", I hope that it really has made all the difference. I've made some great friends who have helped me out during some rough times. Thank You, you know who you are. Thanks Mom and Dad for believing in me even when I didn't. Dykes, you have a ways to go, keep at it, it will end someday. Good Luck to everyone.

Dyke 1991: Todd Kuchler
Dyke 1997: Chris Donmoyer

William Nelson Pendleton, Jr.
Civil Engineering / Air Force
"Willie, Nellie, HUA!"

The last four years have been the best, and worst, four years of my life. I fell to the worst human being I could have been,but by God's grace, realized it and turned it around. As a rat, my dyke showed me exactly what a first class private ought to be... honorable above all, obedient, yet able to slip in and out of trouble without being caught, and unpolished, yet able to show the true impressions of a gentlemen. As a first, my dyke made me show him how to do the things necessary to succeed, and why to do the things necessary to excel. One gave me the opportunity to be a good follower, one the opportunity to be a leader. But I thank God for all who made me look at myself. My parents, whom I love, my sisters, and grandparents, and aunts and uncles and cousins, and all my brother rats, whom I'd die for in a heartbeat.

Dyke 1991: Chris Wyatt
Dyke 1997: Travis Bartley

CPL (3), LT (1), Cadet Battery (4,3,2,1) Battery XO (3,2), S-5 Tour Guide (4,3,2,1), Ring Figure Rock Committee, Cocke Hall '94, Independent Legal Study (2)

PVT 4,3,2,1; Corporal 3; Ring Figure Felon 2; Baldwin 2,1; Meadhall 1; DarkHo 3,2,1; Nads Builder 2; Sem Slam Board 2; Radford R&R Center 2

Rat 4, Private 3 (Corp. for 3 weeks),2,1; Canterbury Club 4,3,2, 1(Pres); CIC OCF 1; Lost 4, Christian 3,2,1; VMI Outreach 2; Cadet Waiters 3,2,1; ASCE 2,1; VMI Theater 1; FCA 2,1; BSU 1.

Patrick Finney Peschka
Mechanical Engineering / Navy
"The Admiral", "Ta Tonka"

Where has the time gone? These past four years have been tough, interesting, rewarding, and to some extent fun. Thanks Dad, Mom, and Missy for your spiritual and financial support - I would have never made it without you. To my Rat Roommates, Charles and Bill, What can I say - "We survived Phong Xuan HA". Hey Glenn "Fireman" Light hang in there and don't do anything stupid! To my roommates - Jon, Ryan, and Sean - I HAD A GREAT TIME! "Cadillac Man" - thanks for all the late night stories. Good luck in the Navy (SEALS). Please no Tailhooks. Sean "Pretty Boy" Goldsmith - I used to sit naked on your pillow every weekend. We had some fun times together and I look forward to partying with you and the Wife. "Woody" - "work with Me". I'll never forget those monday DRC meetings with Mike and Al - FIX BAYONETS! Thanks and Good Luck in the Marine Corps. To the Rest of the Class of 94 - Best of Luck.

Dyke 1991: Kevin W. Gallagher (90')
Dyke 1994: Mike "Free Beer" Freer

Reg S-3 1; Reg SGT 2; CPL 3; ASME Pres. 1; ASME Vice Pres. 2; ASME Treas. 3; VMI Firefighters 1,2,3; Trident Society 3; Rugby 2; Tau Beta Pi 1; Rat Challenge 1; Cadre 1,2,3; Dean's List 4; Phong Ha Survivor 4

David O Phelps II
Physics, Math Minor/Special Student
"Frugal One, Sasquatch, DO"

The time has come for our class to go it's separate ways. The friends that I made while I was here kept me here! I thank all of you! I always wondered what I would be feeling while writing my history, whether I would be happy or sad. I have a feeling of sadness, because of the same reason I stayed here I will not seeyou all as often. Alan, you've come a long way from the rat I knew to the Marine I now know. John, stay laid-back, life is too complicated. Danny, I wish you a happy and loving future with Hunter! Aric, Cory, & John, the Air Force is very fortunate to have you all. Brian, stay focused on your goals. I'll close on a quote we all know "you may be whatever you resolve to be" remember this always my friends. We have succeeded in something few could do and many wished they had! Take Care!

Mom & Dad, thanks so much for everything, you were always there!

Dyke 1991: John Gray
Dyke 1997: Brian Martin

Summer School 4,3,2,1; Acc Pro 3,2; Honor List 2; Volleyball 4,3,2,1; Team Capt/Co-Capt 2,1; SPS 4,3,2,1; Vice Pres 1; Year Book 1

Stephen M Phelps Jr
History / Special Student
"Nub, The Grand Nubber, Doski"

I never thought I would be writing this and I am sure there are alot of others who feel the same way. If I am ever asked why I came here the only thing I can say is "hell I don't know." I can say that I have found the best friends I could ever ask for. I want to thank my roomates for putting up with me though everthing, I know it wasn't easy. B.A. and Brian are getting married so I guess I will ride around with Camillus until we steal our fates. To the boys, Weed, Weave, Spanky, Steve, Mud, Woody, Jerry, Rob, Piglet, Tic, S., and K-Dog, the best of luck! Gene, Fab, and Nasty, watch out for the Queen. All you guys know I won't be far from Rustburg. To Mom, Dad, Mandy, and Kelly, thank you for all of your support and I love you very much. LSorever! We love you Sam.

Dyke 1991: Greg Booth
Dyke 1997: Franco Martin, W.G. Smith

Baseball 4,3,2,1, Ac Pro 4,3,2, Con Pro 3,2, Satisfied Loser 4,3,2,1, Lived with Camillus and Brian 2,1, Joan Pinnin Fan Club Summuer93,1.

Marc Jeffrey Phillips
Business & Economics / S.S.
"Sparks, Sparky"

It's finally over! At times the years have dragged by, but for the most part these past four years have gone by quickly. I've really got to thank Mom and Dad for sticking by me, and putting up with all of my bitching, and my roommates for putting up with my complaining, and not beating my ass. To my teammates, especially the seniors who have been through the worst seasons and the best seasons in VMI history, we've been through a lot. It's been great with everyone, but thank God its over and we're out of here!

Dyke 1991: James Tavener
Dyke 1997: John Bushman

Kurt Andrew Polk
Economics & Business / Air Force
"Kurt Gowdy, Baldy"

I can't describe VMI as a fun place, but in the end, I feel that it was a good experience. Having transferred from a "normal" school, I can say that VMI men are challenged more than anyone else. For years I have heard that VMI is "a horrible place to be at, but a great place to be from." I know the former and I'm ready for the latter. Best of luck to my roommates (Chris, Brian, and Beef), the Class of '95, and all the other great guys that managed to put up with this place.

Dyke 1992: Carney Taylor

Vinston L. Porter, Jr.
History / Army
"Vince, Vinny, Portdog"

It was 3 years ago when I started my adventure into the world of VMI. Why on Earth did I pick VMI?! As RAT year progressed, my longing for home began to decrease. And so Christmas passed, along with Easter, all the hops and the day I thought I'd never see- BREAKOUT! 3rd class year arrived with the introduction of two new roommates- J.P. Lynch and Chris Myers and the intro of AC PRO in the 2nd semester. 2nd class year....I got my ring, NUFF SAID. Now I'm in my first class year and am almost at the final stop on this VMI ride- ALUMNUS! After graduation, we, the class of '94 will all go our separate ways, never forgetting our experiences here. Now, I just wanna say thanx to everyone who helped me along the way- JP, Chris, and most importantly- MY PARENTS! Thank you and I love you! THE BEST HAS YET TO COME!

Dyke 1991: Alan G. McKinnon
Dyke 1997: Mitchell Webb, Thomas Keiser

Varsity Baseball Team 4,3,2,1; Monogram Club 3,2,1; Vice- President Monogram Club 1

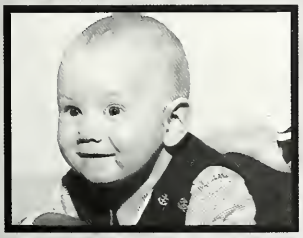
Cadet Investment Group 3,2; CIG Pres. 2; Tennis 4; Water Polo 3,2; Not at VMI 1.

Corporal 3; Color Sgt 2; 1st BN XO 1; Glee Club 4,3,2,1; Glee Club Pres. 1; Promaji 4,3,2,1; Alpha Phi Omega 3,2,1; APO Sec. 1; VMI Gospel Choir 3,2,1

Eugene W. Pribila
Economics & Business / S.S.

When I entered VMI 4 years ago I never thought I would be sitting here writing this. I know that there were a lot of other people that thought that the same. I guess I surprised a lot of people. VMI has taught me a lot of things like responsibility, respect, and true friendship. There are a lot of other thing that I didn't want to learn but I learned it any way. Some times I thought this place would drive me crazy but I made with the help of some very special people. First I want to thank my parents and brother and sisters with out them behind me giving me support, love and a kick in the rear when I needed it I would not be sitting here. Allison you have given me constant support for this I thank you and I love you. To James and Fab I could have asked for two better roommates. James thank you for your support in hearts and Fab every gambler has his day. To the rest of the guys thanks each and every one your the best.

Dyke 1991: Alvin Schmidt
Dyke 1997: Jason Roy



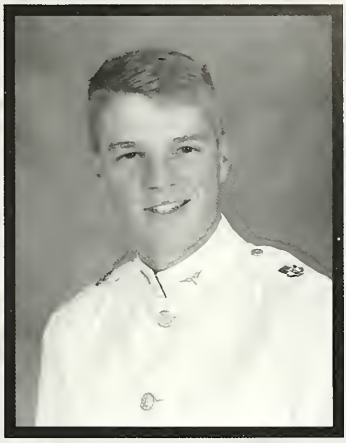
Football 4,3,2,1

Daniel Patrick Price
English, History / Navy
"Danny, Dan, Danimal"

Its impossible to sum up VMI in one paragraph. So I'll mention who deserves it and get on with life: Naif, you were the best dyke a rat could ask for. Chad and Chuck, thanks for being there when I needed a friend on the outside world. Mike and DJ, I couldn't begin to list all we've been through together. You guys are the greatest and I won't forget any of it. Steve, stick this place out, its over before you know it. And finally a word to my pop: Dad, I know I've cost you more headaches than I'm worth, Lord knows you told me that on the phone every week. I couldn't have made it through any school without your support. Of all the people in my life, none have as much love, admiration and respect as I have for you. To VMI: I have been bent but not broken. I have loved and hated my years but I have learned alot. Good luck, Brother Rats.

Dyke, 1991: Mike Naifeh
Dyke, 1997: Steve Jones

Rat 4; Corporal 3; Operations Sergeant 2; Batallion S-3 1; English Society 3,2,1; Trident Society 3,2; Roadrunners 2,1; Rat Training Lt. 1.



Jason Richard Price
Mechanical Engineering / Air Force
"Jay Man"

Our rings say it best "Labore Et Honore" by labor and honor. Brother Rats I never could have made it without you, it didn't wash off with the mud. Mom and Richard, Dad and Dreama, thank you for all your support you guys were always there with open hearts and wallets. Without you this ride would never have begun, yet here we are at the end. M&M & Blake, I love you, you love me... Jimmy thank you for always making me laugh, Dale thank you for letting me pick on you, George thank you for teaching me what it is to be a true leader. Maj. Brodie, your blood runs through my instrument and your song is in my soul. Help Recved Underhill AM. Marty, be strong. Chris, Stevo, Z, Slug,Jeff, Lee, Kav, H Wayne thanks for everything. Heather you are the love of my life, my motivation to see this through. Most of all, I thank God "His strength is perfect when our strength is gone, he'll carry us when we can't carry on."

Dyke 1991: Russ Raffay
Dyke 1997: Marty "McFly" Coombs

Rat 4; Cpl 3; Sgt 2; Lt 1; Band 4,3,2,1; Brass Ensemble 4,3,2,1; Herald Trumpets 4,3,2,1; Bugler 2,1; ASME 1; NSPE 1; Martial Arts 4,3,2,1, Pres. 1; Heather Kramer Fan Club 4,3,2,1

Stephen A Ranicki
Biology / Special Student
"Rainman, Steve-O"

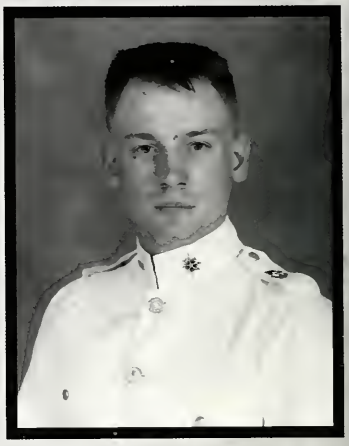
I pray that they are wrong. I really don't want to miss this place. Townie-how's the morning run coming? Benny-Shut up. You're trying to sleep. Harris-I hope you can grow to hate this place as much as I have. Live to worm, worm to live. Giggles-hope you make parole. Roberts- I hope you make anything. Jimmy-If you ever have to give your kid a talk on bed wetting, please tape it. I'm dying to see it.

Dyke 1991: Dan Robinson
Dyke 1997: Bradford Harris

Robert Lee Raynor Jr.
Electrical Engineering/S.S.
"Rob, Duke, Righteous Daddie, Bill"

It was put best by the alumni that said, "VMI, it's a good place to be from, but not a good place to be." That is why I left VMI as often as I could. For today, and every day, thank you Lord and Savior. Without You I would be eternally lost. Next I have to thank my family who was, and still is, always there with more love and prayers than I ever could have imagined I would need. I want to thank all the unsung people who have also supported me through prayer. Thanks to my BRs, my friends, and those who dared to be both, roommates included. You were always there looking out for me and putting up with me. Thanks to the professors who didn't give me a thing, but instead, made me work for it. Finally, thanks Howie for getting me into this mess. (Thanks Douglas and Stan--Gotcha!) Remember guys, we're all history in the making...

Dyke 1991: Tom Dumouchelle
Dyke 1997: Derick "Bootleg" Atkins, "Willie" Daang, "Cowboy" Kao



Michael Edward Rezabek
Economics & Business / Army
"Razor, The Beast, Squirrel"

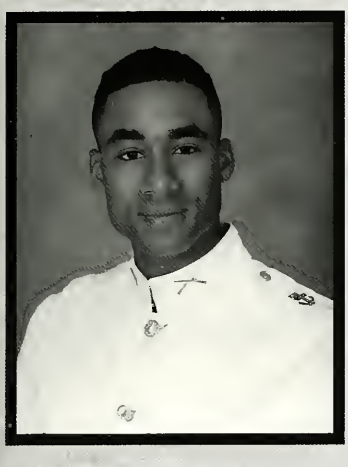
I came here because of a promise of chivalry, Ha! When next I lay my foot on VMI soil it will be for my cold dish of revenge. I appreciate the experience I have had here surprisingly. To those of you who I don't know, stay out of my life. To those of you who I have told of my cabin dream in Alaska, come and visit, be a mountain man: cut trees, shoot elk, moose, and bear, and sing the mighty lumber jack song in my mountains intoxicated by a hardy homemade brew. Kuo you must come too, get away from smog filled Taiwan. Arness, Eason, and Blair remember Crom, what is good in life, the mountain of power, and the riddle of steal. My friends it is time to take from the world what is ours. Lets take it all. And if we should all die before we do so, then to hell with you.

Dyke 1991:Matthew Sprouse
Dyke 1997:Brian Keslick

Virgin Private 4,3,2,1; Extended Furlough 3; Band 4,3,2,1; Sports Medicine 1

Glee Club 4,3; Cadet Battery 4,3,2; Good 'Ole Boy 3; Cpl 3; ; VMI F.F. 3,2,1; Lil' John Staff 2,1; Cannonball Comm. 2; Righteous Daddie 2; VMIT 1; OGA 1; GC/EC Sec. 1; Richmond Road Warrior 3,2,1; Rat- all ; "The King" 1

Remaining who I am, the same insane person who entered this abomination four years ago.



Damon Rodriquez Richardson
Mechanical Engineering / S.S.
"Newbill"

"Thank you Jesus!!!" Now I know I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. First, I give an honor to God, who is the head of my life, for His spiritual and moral guidance, and for keeping me with a sound mind and body through the rigors of the VMI system. VMI has been the most perplexing, "culture shocking", and fascinating experience I've had. To be honest, I would not trade anything for it. I would like to recognize and thank my family members for their support, Mom, Dad, Auntie, uncle Clint, Big Bro, Candy, Angie & Tyrone, Clem, Kim, Antron, and lastly, Nannie. I love you all, thanks. To my roomies, Jay Goode and Sean, thanks for being there and may God bless what ever you do. To my dykes, B.J., Warren, and A'Darryl, keep The Lord in front. To my brother in Christ, J.P., I always will miss our spiritual stoop talks. And finally, to Jerome, your eternal smile will never fade, rest in peace. May God Bless all who reads this passage.

Dyke 1991: Donnie, Earl, Frank, Mark
Dyke 1997: BJ, Warren, A'Darryl

2yrs Varsity Basketball; 2yrs Varsity Track & Field; 4yrs Promaji Club; Sec., FCA (2yrs); Sec., Gospel Choir (2yrs); Member, ACS; "Big Brother Program"; Member, National Society of Black Engineers & Scientists.

Michael Arleigh Richardson Jr.
B.S. Biology / Special Student
"Mikemon"

"Most of the things worth doing in the world are usually declared impossible before they are done." - Brandeis. Mom, Dad, Heidi, Maggie, Casey, Shane, and Jeff - thank you for being the best family in the world. I love you all. Enzo, thank you for bringing all of us into the same room. It was the best decision you ever made. Shrop, Fed, Ron, Jon, Dan, Andy, and Ank - I couldn't have asked for better friends. Good luck. Eric, good luck and try to remember what this place is really trying to teach you. And last but most of all, Sue - I couldn't have made it without you. Your love and inspiration have led me to heights I never thought I could reach. After four years, I can finally answer the ultimate question, not with my mind, but with my heart - YES, it was worth it.

Dyke 1991: David L. Williams
Dyke 1997: Eric J. Patterson

Cpl 3, Color Sgt. 2, Reg. S-2 Sgt. 2, Reg. S-2 1, Ac. Stars 3,2,1. Phi Kappa Phi 2,1. Sigma Delta 1, Order of the Sleepless Knights 4,3,2,1. BGSM 2. TCOM 1.

Christopher Alan Richmond
EN/AS
"Chris, Sluggo"

I don't know of anyone that would categorize VMI as an easy trip. Thankfully, there have been a lot of terrific people in my life these last few years to help smooth things out during the tougher times. Mom, Dad and David, you have always been there when I needed and there's nothing I can say in this that would mean enough so I'll just have to settle for saying "Thank you all, I Love you." Dave and Steve, what can I say to you guys? It's been a wild ride but we made it. Thanks for helping me keep it together when things got weird. Just a word of warning for when you guys are rich...I plan to mooch; so keep a spare hay somewhere. Nathan and Clay, Thanks for putting up with all my garbage. I couldn't have asked for better roommates. To all the guys I couldn't fit in (and there are many), Thanks. It's all been worth it just to be able to say that I know you guys.

Dyke 1991: Steve Callahan
Dyke 1997: Shahriar "Shah-meister" Rahman

F-Troop 4,3,2,1; Habitual Den goer 3,2; Roadrunners 2; VMI Cadet 2,1; VMI RFC 1; "Lumper" 3 1/2; Club 276 Patron 2.

Clayton Lamar Ricks

Biology / Air Force
"Shabba,C,Clatio,CheifRocka,Smuv"

Well its been long yet short. 3 years ago I was stripped of all non-essential characteristics, yet today here stands a product of the "Institute" with a new outlook on life. VMI provided the me the equipment and laboratory required to analyze my life and soul search. If I had the chance to do it all over....Naaaahhhh I first thank God allmighty for such an accomplishment. Thanks Ma, Dad, Andre,CoachB.(dad#2),Tasha for all putting up with this sometimes moody and confused person. "I ain't what Im gonna be, I ain't what I should be, but thank God I ain't what I used to be." Words out to my Boyz: Milton(GQ), J.P, James, Lee, Chris, Vince, J.Good, Damon, lakei, the Bio-night shift etc. I love all you guys, best of luck to all. Word is ON and Word is BOND!...2 the BREAKADAWN.....Stay in touch brothers and God Bless.

Dyke 1991: RDC.
Dyke 1997: Milton Steppe.

John Christopher Rider

Economics / Special Student
"EASY"

First of all, I would like to start off by thanking my parents for their encouragement and support throughout my years at VMI. Your words of reassurance, the letters, the money, and most of all the love you have given me throughout my life is what kept me on the road less traveled. I Love You both very much! To Jason (my drunken friend): for all of the times that we don't remember, I will never forget! I love you like a brother. Now, to my boys on the "PATIO": I give a toast with a big glass of warm thunderbird! I will never forget the "runs" to the Psalms, mixers, liquor store, talks, etc. You are the best of friends a friend can get. Finally, to Kandys: without you I would have never had the incentive to improve my life. I Love You with all my heart and soul! Now, to VMI: IHTFP!, but love it at the same time.

Dyke 1991: Bucky Bridges
Dyke 1997: Brian Bagwan

Robin Pierre Riviere

Economics / Business Navy
"Robespierre, Rivi, Riv"

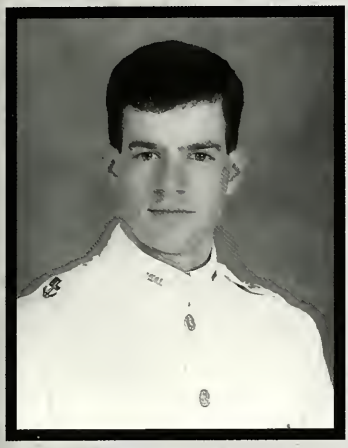
It is difficult to summarize in 13.5 lines of text what today remains, for the most part, a mystery. I arrived with little expectations of myself. I am leaving with the knowledge that I can, in fact, accomplish that with which I task myself. What the Institute has given unto me, I know not completely. Perhaps one day I will be able to quantify the benefits of such a unique place as this. Never let it be said that the administration charged with my cadetship should be held accountable for any of my future successes. Never have I encountered a collection of men with so contrary an agenda to the making of a VMI Man. It is only accidental that the uneccesary hardships, imposed by Smith Hall,which I and my Brother Rats endured, served to catalyze the formation of our work ethic and resolve.

Dyke 1991: Shannon Daly, Rob Sayegh
Dyke 1997: Adam "Shades" Johnson

RDC Gold Card Club;4,3,2,1 Lacrosse;1 Lax Club Captain;4,3,2,1 Promaji Club;1 Multicultural Club;2,1 Alpha Phi Omega;1 1st Battalion S-3;2,1 Southern Conf. Scolar Athlete;3,2,1 Rack Club.

Private 4,3,2,1: Big Brother 3,2,1: Cadet Investment Group 1: Patio 2,1: "G" 4,3,2,1: Ring Figure 3,2: Jail 2-1/2, 2,1

Private:4,3,2,1 Wrestling:4,3 Waterpolo:3 Roadrunners:2 Rugby:1 Hell's Kitchen:3 Spec. Student Forces: 4,3,2,1
Va.Tech. Relay Team:4,3,2,1 DGJNPRS: Till The Cows Come Home.



Jonathan Michael Rudy

English, Minor in History / Army S.S.
"Johan, Dudy, Rudester"

VMI is like my sister. I can talk as much smack about it as I so choose and at whatever time it pleases me. If anyone outside of this place even opens their mouth to form the letter "V" I will kick their tail. Only if you go through it can you talk smack about it. Mom and Dad. To say that I love you would be insufficient. I relied upon ya'll more than I can ever relate in words. I owe you two more than I can ever repay in this life time. I only hope that I can be as good to my children as you have been to me. You are my role-model parents, what I will try to emulate as I stumble through life. To my Rat: It only gets worse Rich and the women are never around. Get used to it and send me some smokes some day. Chap: I love you with all my heart and I will carry your love, as well as the love of our Father with me forever. Peace and Love forever.

Dyke 1991: "Tory" Brennen
Dyke 1997: Richard Maupin Dixon

Michael Keith Runkle

ME / Navy
"Runk, Daddy Runk, Padre"

We didn't know why we came.
We're not quite sure what we saw, but
Damned if we didn't conquer!

Dyke 1991: Jeff Fegley
Dyke 1997: Bill McCabe

Andrew Walter Rush

International Studies / Air Force

It is hard to believe that the end is finally near, and I am writing this for my Bomb. It wasn't too long ago that I remember my dyke complaining about having to write this for the '91 Bomb. While it is only one year before then, high school seems a distant memory, and the much has happened since. I owe the Institute plenty, though that it is difficult t o admit while still here. I owe my European study to this place, and that experience certainly altered my life considerably. I have many people to thank. Mom and Dad, you have always been there with full support — thanks for keeping me here. Steve, Tim, and Phil, better brothers cannot be found. Bill and Tim, our room has definitely brightened my last year. Jon, forever co-dykes. Chaplain Caudill, thanks for your unwavering support and much needed advice.

Dyke 1991: Tim Janeway
Dyke 1997: Doug Baker

Chaplains Religious Activities Comm. Member 3 (Treas.), 2 (Sect.), 1 (Pres.) SLI 4,3 I.H.T.F.P. 4,3,2,1 Ac Pro 3,2 Con Pro 4,3,2,1? 200+ PT's

Reg S-4 Sgt 2; Lt-Pvt-Lt(?) 1; Divemaster for scuba class 2,1;President Trident Society 1; President Scuba club 2,1; ASME 4,3,2,1; Rat Challenge 2,1

Foreign Study 2, Institute Scholar, Drumline 4 31, Glee Club 4 3, English Society 4 3 1, Timmons Society 4 3 1, Nominal Corporal 3

Nathan Matthew Rush

Economics & Business / U.S.M.C.
"Na Na, Master Nate"

When I first came to this beloved Institute, I said to myself "Why in the Hell did I come to VMI?" Four years later I still don't know the answer, but I'm glad that I did. The times were tough but they are times that I will never forget. I guess the best thing about the "I" were the friendships I made with guys like Geof, John, Joey, Jim, Stephen, Travis, the list goes on and on. To Chris I would like to say, thanks for all the opportunities you gave Clay and I to pick on your drunk A. Clay, I'm glad you're my cousin, but even more important has been your friendship. Mom, Dad, Nick, Lorry, you are the ones that make it worth doing, I love you all! Kim, the wait is over, now let's get on with our lives together. I love You! One last thing to Rat Powers. C'BURG 13 PULASKI 6!!

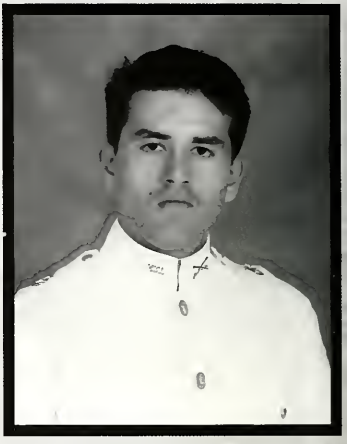
Dyke 1991: Mike Jeffries
Dyke 1997: Channing Powers

Christopher Edward Russell

Electrical Engineering / Navy
"AnalRanger, Love Muscle, Chainsaw"

WHYVMI, at least that's what my license plates say. I've been trying to answer that question for my entire cadetship. I'll give one thing to VMI, I've really made some good friends. Starting with RAT year: Chuck, Junie, and Sean, you made life bearable. From then on it has been up to Mongo, Jesus, and Bam Bam. You've given me an interesting view on, and a very Richmond way of life. By the way Bam Bam, I think I'm pregnant. To Clyde and GeekBoy, I owe you my diploma. Due to your strong work ethic and tenacity towards projects, you pulled me along. One day we'll drink heavily together, maybe weddings. Hey Tripp, you better work harder, I give all the luck I have to give. But, I think I used it all. Thanks Mom and Dad, for putting up with my unpredictable mood and grade swings as well as the financial burden of my diploma. In the end, WHYVMI? Why ask why, leave VMI!

1991- Christopher Barnes
1997- Tripper Costen



Martin Anthony Russell

Biology / Very Special Army Student
"Stinky, Mellon-Head"

Tempus fugit, Caesar aut nihil.

Dyke 1991: Jack Daniels, Brian Markert,
Dyke 1997: Wun-Hoa "smilely" Jai

[illegible] 3,2,1; Cpl 3; Mst Sgt 2; F Troop XO; [illegible] Marine Corps Marathon 2; Bulldog [illegible] Nashville and Eden FTX's 2; Flag [illegible] All Star 1; All Around Stud 4,3,2,1

Cpl. 3; Color Sgt. 2; 3rd Batt. S-5 1; Wrestling 4,3; Road Runners 2; IEEE 3,1; Cadre 2,1; BOHICA 4,3,2,1; Academic Black Holes 4,3,2,1; Club (111) 4,3,2,1; DWGB(dealing with Geek Boy) 4,3,2,1.

Dean's List 4,3,2,1; Summer Research 2,1; H-co. S-2 1; Cadet Investment Group 1; Airborne School 3; Cpl. 3; New Science/Mallory Resident 3,2,1; Rack Boy 1;

Russell R. Rutter
History / Special Student
"Rusty, $hitter"

I can't believe it's almost over! Though this has been the longest four years of my life it hasn't been that bad. I would like to thank my Mom and Dad for sticking by me, and putting up with all of the BS that I've put them through. HUA Hannon, Skunk, and Bas its been something else. I'll never forget some of the sick, deranged, and inhumane things that we've done. It was a riot. I sure hope these things never catch up to us. If so, we'll all be in a heap of trouble. Oh yeah, Skunk, take a shower because you stink. Oh well, I'm off and runnin' into the real world; I bet you can't catch me!!

Dyke 1991: Sam Orlov
Dyke 1997: Jeff "Ping-Pong" Dellapenta

Justin Wesley Sapp
International Studies / Army

I look back on my four years at VMI with mixed feelings. Even with all the negative aspects, I like to think my time at VMI was worth it and that I have gained something from the experience. Naturally, the first thing that comes to mind are the people, especially Mike, Nick, Jim, and Steve. I can't forget our dykes, Tony, Brian, and Rob who are also an unforgettable part of my VMI experience. I will cherish their friendship forever.

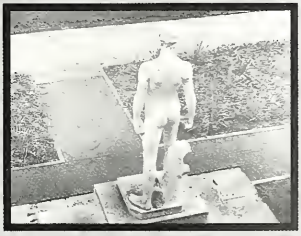
Dyke 1991: Todd Thompson
Dyke 1997: Anthony Bobb

Jeremy Schlussel
Civil Engineering / Air Force
"Slug, Sluggo, Slush, Jeremy"

When I came to the "I" four years ago most people wondered why; sometimes I wondered myself, but now that my time at the "I" is coming to a close I marvel at how much nonsense I have had to put up with just to make it through. Every year it was a new fight that was taken on, but no matter what was said or done, it always seemed like it was not enough; like how we don't have enough space to express four years worth of recollections, whoops, I guess I had better get on with this before I run out of room. Now that I have finished complaining I can thank Z, Mike, and Greg for listening to me and for all of the good times we have had together. To members of the CE hole, good luck to all, we have done enough together to last a life time. To my rat, remember what we always tell you and to my Mom, Dad, and Sister; with all of my love, thanks for being there.

Dyke 1991: Lester H. "Harris" Hollans Jr.
Dyke 1997: James E. Board

Varsity Soccer Team 4,3,2,1; Cadet Staff; Monogram Club 4,3,2,1; and still sane.



Ranger Challenge 3; Ranger Co. 4, 2, 1; Airborne; Dean's List 4, 2, 1; International club 4; Chaplain's Committee 2; ROTC staff 2, 1

Regimental Band & Brass Ensemble 4,3,2,1; Pvt. 3; Sgt. 2; Lt. 1; ASCE 4,3, Sec. 2,1; PLUG-N-CHUG editor 2,1; NEB Confinement 4,3,2,1; Preston Slide Show 3,2,1

George C. Schreffler, III

History, English, German/Marine
"GEORGE, Schref"

There is too much to be said after four years to put it all in this space. It's been up and down but overall VMI and I got along pretty well. I wouldn't do it again, but I'd never give it up either. Mom, Dad, Troy, Don, and Julie; your love and support has lifted me up every step of the way. Thanks for being the best family a guy could have. Jimmy, I wouldn't trade you for the world. Thanks for helping me keep things in perspective. Jay, we ended up together by coincidence. It couldn't have worked out better. Your faith has always been a source of inspiration to me. Dale, it took two years but we finally found each other. How can we see eye-to-eye on so many things? To my twin brother (we should have been anyway), Scott; suffice it to say--SEMPER FI. Erich, don't cheat the man in the glass. Ryan, Elvin, Band Co.: carry on, you guys are the best.

Dyke 1991: Paul "Neferious" McKinney
Dyke 1997: Erich Nitzsche

Hybl's Henchmen 2; Cpl 3; 1st Sgt 2; Bd Co C.O. 1; Gunny Reed's Last Bulldog 2; OCS Hater 3,1; Cadre 3,2; Brass Ensemble 4,3,2,1; Stockholder Kiwi and Brasso Corporations 4,3,2,1

Nicolas Blake Schweizer

Economics & Business / Army S.S.
"Hawk"

I came to VMI because I wanted to experience something different, challenging and far from home. Despite all its faults, VMI was just that and much more. It has taught me how to survive in a hostile environment and how to overcome adversity. It has also given me a sound moral code and a strong sense of loyalty. As I go out into the real world, I know VMI has prepared me well. Before I go, to all my friends who teased me so much, especially, Fat Jimmy, James, N.T., Gros and Doyle, CAW! I thank Bill and Mr. and Mrs. Booth for their care and hospitality when I was a rat. I thank Mr. and Mrs Sapp and Mr. and Mrs. Grose for their care and hospitality, I would not have survived without it. Justin and Mike, I could not have had better roommates and friends. Keep in touch!

Dyke 1991: Bill Booth
Dyke 1997: Brian Shawaryn

Company Commander 1, 1st Sgt & Plt Sgt 2, Cpl 3, Cadre 2, Ranger Challenge 3, 2, Rugby Club 1, Cadet Investment Group 1

Aaron Christopher Scruggs

English / Civilian
"Scrubs, Scruggsy, Ace"

First off, I'm glad I stayed to write a history. I thank my parents and family for that and for their contiuous support. Without it I'd be on a more traveled road. I love you both for it! Special thanks to Joey, four years together and still strong..you're the best friend and roommate a guy could have. Good luck always. To Dennis, thanks for teaching me how to have fun at the "I", partners in crime. I can't say enough about the "PATIO." To all the guys, John,Jason,Jimmy,Chris,Hernan and Mike, stay fresh and stay out of trouble.Just remember the liquor, women and road trips...too much fun! Thanks for all the memories Stephanie... and what? You added a new flavor to the VMI experience. Pete, I hope your rock head softens; you'll do great here! Hey John, if everything else fails, I'm ready to open that bar. I'm finally outta here.

Dyke 1991: Steven Henry
Dyke 1997: Pete Gagliardi

Cpl.3: Lt.1: Boxing 3,2,1: Boxing Capt.1: Patio 2,1: X-Club 2,1: Jail 4,3: Naked Marauders 2: "G" 4,3,2,1

Gregory Michael Shaffer
History / Army Special Student
"Greg, G-man, Shafe"

It is amazing how fast four years can go by. One minute I am a rat straining through Jackson Arch during the Dark Ages, the next minute I am a first classman ready to graduate. In between that time, I found out the military was not ready for me and so now I begin my civilian career early. Here's to my BRs who made the journey with me past the ratline, PTs, and confinement. To Jeremy, Matt, and Mike, the best friends and roommates a "Yankee Northerner" from Philly could ever have. Here's to the good and bad times with the lacrosse stud...Noah. To my family, especially my Mom, Dad, my sister, and my brothers, thank you for all the support and help you have given me the last four years, I hope you all can understand what this has meant to me. Lastly, here's to VMI, without which none of this could have been possible.

Dyke 1991: Chad Kunkel
Dykes 1997: James Board, Joseph Backi

Matthew William Shiley
Civil Engineering / Army S.S.
"Shilly, The Kid, Jawny Cash"

I can't believe the end has come. My four years with the "I" have gone by so quickly. Louis, Aaron, John and Robert: Thanks for being there these past four years; I wish you all the best. Matt, Jimmy, and Tim: Ya'll are the best "2nd roommates" I could've had. Mom and Dad: I never could have made it without your support, Rat care packages, and those early Sunday morning trips to Dry Well Road, VA. Laura: Thanks for your patience & all the JMU weekends; I give you all my love. Rm. 618 NEB and P&C Hole; CE 94: You guys are the greatest !! "Seems every time I make my mark, somebody paints the wall." - Tracy Lawrence
Good-Bye VMI, your lessons and memories will last a lifetime.

Dyke 1991: Whit Boswell
Dyke 1997: Chris Farrar

Jae Hyuk Shin
Computer Science / Air Force
"yuk,sakka shin,shin-bag,little tan man"

History: Varsity Soccer 1(most improved player),2 ; Indoor Soccer 1,2 ; International Club 1,2,3,4(secretary) ; Arnold Air Society 3,4(communications officer/chaplain) ; Military Society 4 ; Hispanic Society 4

Dyke 1991: John Kao
Dyke 1997: Peter Kim

Pvt 4,3,2,1; Corporal 3; Public Relations Staff 4; VMI Ranger Co. 3,2; Intramurals 1; Booze cruise 4,3; Bartender of Club 257 2; Number one club 2.

PVT 4,1; CPL 3; SGT 2; F-Troop 4,3,2,1; ASCE 2,1; Rat Training 3; Cadet Battery 4,3; Concrete Canoe Team 2; Plug & Chug Staff 1; Summer School 4,3,2,1; Preston Drive-in Committee 3,2,1

Major Accomplishments: graduated in 4 yrs

Mark Stewart Shropshire
B.S. Biology / Air Force S.S.
"Shrop, Shrop-Mon"

Beouff..Begakk..gak..gak! To all of my BR's & friends..I wish you the best of luck. To my roomies Mike, Fed, Enzo, and Ron..we've had the best times. Good luck in all that you do. Y'all are the best! Foster make me proud and STUDY! To my brother: God, two more years..Good Luck Dog! Stephanie: I am so glad what started out as friendship has grown to what we have now. You have always been there when I needed you, & I thank you for that. Now, I only hope that we will have a promising future... together. I love you very much! Mom: I want to thank you for all of your advice, love, & support (especially the financial support) I couldn't have done it without you. You are the greatest..I'm in debt to you for life! To my father, I wish you could have been here to share the VMI experience with me. I know you'd be proud. I think of you often, love and miss you!

Dyke 1991: Charlie Cathcart
Dyke 1997: Foster McLean

Shenn-Rong Shyong
Computer Science / Special Student
"Shogun"

Time passes by quickly. I could hardly communicate with anybody when I first came to VMI. Many thanks to the CS Department for all the support, as goes to everyone else who helped out. P'yoy, without you I wouldn't have made it. Not to mention the ones in room, Grendel, Lurch, Goofy, and Harold, thank you. Finally, to my parents and the special persons, Mr. and Mrs. Maisano, Mr. and Mrs. Field, you all got me through. Overall, I'm very glad I came. Hej d

Dyke 1991: Thanakorn Pheeraphan
Dyke 1997: Prommarat Senakit

Michael Jay Slover
Econ/Buisness, Spanish / Army
"Dog Slove Miguelito SloveDog"

Just as I have done upon arriving at the Institute, I have waited until the night before to write this. So, here goes: Mom & Dad, thanks for your support through all the years and for making me stay here during my Rat year. I love both of you very much. Kinney & Kevin, best luck in whatever you do. Thanks to the guys of room 433 who thought I wouldn't make it, we did it. Slug, Zenk, and Greg, y'all are the best roommates and friends. Thanks for being there when I needed you the most. To Aaron, Fat Jimmy, Joe, John, Hernan, and Gros- The Patio has left. To my rats, keep your chins up and be proud of who you are. I've always heard that college is suppose to be the best and worst 4 years of your life. As I look back upon my years here at VMI, I can honestly say that I made the right choice. Thanks to all those who made it so.

Dyke 1991: Bob Pedigo (1990)
Dyke 1997: Sergio Luna

Water Polo 4,3; Marathon Club 3,2; Rugby 1; Corporal 3; Platoon Sgt. 2; Private 1; Order of the Sleepless Knights 4,3,2,1; Sigma Delta 1

International Club 4,3,2; Ranger Comany 2; AC stars 2,1; Raven & Crown Happy Hour 1

First Class Private; Sgt. 2; Corp 3; Cadet Investment Group 2,1; Spanish Tutor 3; Rat Drowning Assistant 2; The Patio 2,1; DIP 3; X-Club 2; At Palms 2,1; Alumnus

Robert Edward Snodgrass
Special Student
"Rob Ed, Snod"

Well I reckon this is the time that I've been waiting for since I matriculated. I never really thought that I'd be writing a history of my cadetship. I've learned alot, although most of it wasn't in class. I've made friends that I'll never forget. I hope that I've had a positive impact on the lives of those who know me best. There are times that I will never forget, even though often times I wish I could. Rody, Tom (SELF), Matt, Bub, Chicken, Randy, Ty, Chuck, Dave, Frenchy, we've had more than our share of good times and more than our share of late night talks on the stoops. I'll miss the times with y'all most of all. Moose, what can be said? You, Sully, and I have alot of life yet to live. Most importantly, Mom and Dad, I've put y'all through more rough times than any parents deserve. I hope I'll make you proud. I love you.

Dyke 1991: Steve Rusher
Dyke 1997: Aaron Burdon

Sean Stephen Small
Civil Engineering / S.S.
"Smallguy, MacGuyver"

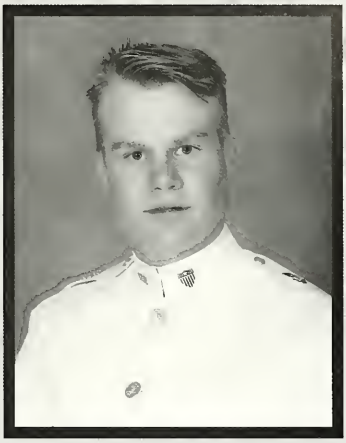
I really don't know what to say. I would like to think my roomies, Rockbass, Weed,& B.C., for a great__ years(ya'll fill in the blank).Weed and B.C. good luck in the Corp. As for you Rock see you next year in the hole.

For the rest of the class, good luck out in the real world. If you need me I will be at the palms.{thanks palms) Also to my friends at Washington and Lee, thinks for all the fun summer memories. Good luck in life.

Grip,I did not forget you. Have fun next year in the real world, and I hope to see you down in Georga. Come visit me next year and any one else who loves me. Institute, stay single and see you next year. BYE.

TO BE CONTINUED... Thanks 4 everything mom.

Dyke 1991: Brad (Funky Cold 1) Brodigan
Dyke 1997: Thomas (Innocent 1) Wagner



Matthew Alexander Smith
Business Economics/Special Student
"Smitty, Mat Tie, Smyth, Bartender"

Four years down and maybe one to go, but we won't talk about that now. I want to thank my parents for putting up with me for four more years. You were right Mom and Dad, it is worth it. Thank you for everything. Its funny, the older I get the faster time seems to flash by. Now it's all coming to an end and it's time for all the good-byes. Good luck to Chris, Leeky, and Kurt. It's nice to know that our nations fate is in your hands.....Not. Mills, I'm calling you when the duckets start rolling in. Harrington, remember who the Mac is when you become President. RJ, what else can be said. Rudy, Do not doubt the power of the Dark Lung. Fred, Come back to the light. Wild Dave, remember 90210. Well that's it, so I leave you with the immortal words of Dennis Quaid "When times are at their darkest, it takes a brave man to kick back and party." C-YA

Dyke 1991: Tom Harmon
Dyke 1997: Jeremy Folmsbee

Ac pro 4,3,2; Conduct pro 3,2; All pro 3; R&R 4,3,2,1; Victim of the rack monster 4,3,2,1; Champion of the Pilla vs. Pillow debates 4,3,2,1; Had a blast 4(well, not really),3,2,1.

3 years(soon to be 4)varsity soccer;track 4,3; still in school i.e. have not failed out;pvt 4, most of 3, 2 and 1;The Palms club 2,1;PC'94 3,2,1;late night play 4,3,2,1.

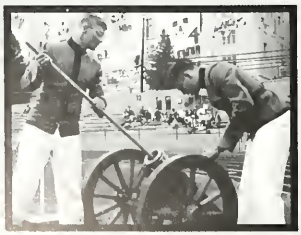
Swim and Dive 4; Volleyball 2,1; P.A.D.E 1; Member of the Trough 2,1;

Timothy Wayne Snow
Civil Engineering / Army S.S.
"T.W., Snowman, Snowbaby"

Well, four years have passed and this journey has almost come to an end. Our time here in our little home-away-from-home have been interesting ones, and for the life of me, I don't know how I managed to keep my sanity. I want to first thank my parents for all of their help and support. Matt and Jim, I am so glad that I was able to gain two best friends out if this ordeal. Both of you are truly brothers to me. Matt - Good luck in the Army. I know that you will do well. Jim - Hopefully we will be working the roads together one day. Trips to Va Tech, late night bull- shit sessions on the stoop, and room antics really made the years fun. I can't believe I'm saying this, but a part of me wishes that this year would never end. KIDD, Z, CHICKEN, TURD, and SLUG - no one could ask for better studymates and friends.

Andy - STUDY! Good luck every one, and Ya'll take care!

Dyke 1991: Brad "Gay" Davis
Dyke 1997: Andy "Cool Guy" McQuade



[illegible] 4, C[illegible] 3, SGT 2; Private 1; Cadet Bat[illegible] 2,1; Battery 1st SGT 2; Ring Figure [illegible] 2; Cocke Hall '94 Shiner 2; CE [illegible] Concrete Canoe 2; Academically [illegible]shed 4,3,2,1

Stanley Song
Electrical Engineering / S.S.
"Sta, Sing a Song"

Over the four years at the "I", I can remember the hard times aswell as the good times. At the end, the good definitely out weigh the bad.

After matriculation, I realized I was sacrificing part of my life for something I did not know at that time. As I look back now, the reward is significant. For everything that I have gone through, I will be getting a diploma and not to mention the class ring.

I can not leave without saying thank you to all my friends that have helped me through the years. To our dykes for making my life easier. To all my roommates and room 188, whom I will never forget. To the three amigos, hopefully I will see you in Taiwan. To my parents, I thank you for your support and love. Finally, thanks to my favorite roomate Bill.

Dyke 1991: Ju-Chi Pan
Dyke 1997: Jyh-Jang Daang

VP 3 2 1, International Club, IEEE

Nathaniel Aric Southworth
International Studies / Air Force
"Slasher, Sugar Britches"

Mom and Dad, you didn't pressure me to come to V.M.I., and you didn't try to make me stay when you heard me moan about it. You left it all to me, and without your understanding and support, I couldn't have made it. John and Corey, well here's to all the good times we've had, and just remember, the really good times have yet to begin. You guys have been great, and I'll always be thankful for friends like you. Hey Sasquatch, "What are your hobbies?" Hang in there Dave. I'll see you when you're paroled. To the Good Vibe Tribe, good luck next year, maybe now you guys can find someone that can actually sing! To the room rats; Matt, Mike, and Dave, you guys hang in there. It'll take everything you've got, but when it's over, you won't be disappointed. "I took the road less traveled by, and that has made all the difference." Frost

Dyke 1991: Ken "Dough Boy" Draper
Dyke 1994: Matt "Ox" Perry

Lt. 1; Sgt. 2; Baseball 4,3; Volleyball Captain 2,1; Army 3; Air Force 2,1; Conduct pro 4,3; Dean's List 2,1; The Lounge 3,2; The Good Vibe Tribe 1; Statue Lubricating Club 4,3,2,1;NAMBLA 1 (I got U - Sasquatch)

Sean Lamont Spriggs
History / Air Force
"Big Dawg"

I can't say I enjoyed it, but on the other hand I can't say I hated it either. Let's say it was an experience. Peace to all my Brother Rats. To my Mom and the rest of the family, thanks for the support. To my roomies continue to serve God - you're doing the right thing. To the Dawg Pound - keep rollin'. To my dykes (BJ, A'Darryl, and Warren), study hard and watch your backs.

Dyke 1991: Greg Fittz
Dyke 1997: BJ, A'Darryl, and Warren

Charles Corey Stanley
English / Air Force Special Student
"C, Chuck, Charlie"

"Looking back it flew by, but day to day it seemed like forever" While at the "I", I learned that nothing is fair, and that there is no such thing as a good deal. It wouldn't have been worth the sacrifice if it weren't for my roommates. Thanks so much to my boys Mike Y, Mike F, and Jimmy D. We rocked and had some killer times. The days we had and stories we told will never be forgotten! I owe more than words can describe to my Dad and my family for all the support. Love you guys a ton. I need to thank Chrissy (my wife to be) for dealing with this place for so long and staying with me. You are a once in a lifetime gift and I will always love you.Thanks again to my boys and PEACEOUT!

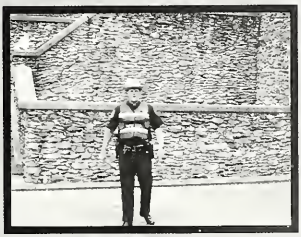
Dyke 1992: Devon Mahoney
Dyke 1997: Chris Dougherty

Phillip Andrew Starling
History & Modern Lang. / Navy S.S.
"Phill"

I am grateful to have had the opportunity to attend VMI. 4 years is really not a very long time in one's life,and yet the 4 years we spent here will influence our thoughts, words, and actions for the rest of our lives.It is definitely a privilege to be part of a tradition as proud as ours.While VMI did not itself create men of honor and integrity, it gave us the opportunity to become such men of our own volition.This is a gift beyond value.-I would like to thank my parents for support that I too often took for granted and my brothers who made me look at my cadetship in a different light.To all my roomates & dykes from 449 & 128 to 142,I say good luck and God speed.Thanks for all the memories.To all the ruggers I have shared the pitch with from 91 to 97,thanks for the damage to the head & liver.To all those here I respect & admire most(DB) I hope you know who you are.

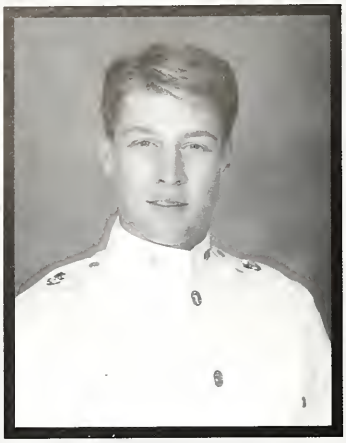
Dyke 1991: Christopher Batenhorst
Dyke 1997: Daniel Evilsizer

I became Big Dawg and stay there.



Rat Training 4; Soccer 4; CDC 4; Cadre 2; Mountain Bike Captain 2,1; Big Red Club 2,1; English Society 2,1; Melrose Place 2,1; Mike Y Sleep Society 2,1; CHRISSY!

President, Class of 1994 4,3,2,1; GC/EC 4,3,2,1; VMI Rugby Football Club 4,3,2(Treasurer),1(Captain); Corporal 3; Sergeant 2; Private 1; Delta Phi Alpha 2,1; Big Red Club 2,1.



William F. Stegemerten IV

Economics & Business / Air Force
"Billy Steg, Steinberner"

"Each man's life touches so many other lives and when he's not around he leaves an awful hole." My years at VMI have brought me great wisdom and understanding of what truly is important in life -GOD, FAMILY, COUNTRY-A motto I live by. Live FREE or DIE! God has blessed my life with two parents so committed to their children's future, that they have sacrificed their own. It is an honor to be from VMI, and while some parents give their sons cars for grad- uation, mine have given me so much more. You see,I received love, self-sacrifice and a college education. These are the grandest gifts of all. Thanks Mom and Dad-I Love You! "Two paths diverged in the woods and I chose the one less traveled. And that has made all the difference." To my BR's-God bless you-I love you all. To the Rat Mass-Remember my speech in JM Hall. To come to VMI is a privilege, but to remain is an honor.

Dyke 1991: Greg Saukulak, Eppa
Dyke 1997: John Benjamin Divito

Russell Paige Stein

History / Special Student
"Russ, Rusty, Steiner, Mo-Mo"

Reflecting upon my time at VMI, the classes, the games, the boredom, and the sleeplessness I realize one thing. I have to thank certain people for helping me in my time here. First and foremost I need to thank my family. Hazel and Pop, I hope I've made you proud. I thank you both for the "walking around money" that made my road adventures possible. Mom and Dad, I thank you for making it possible for me to have this education. Trav, you are my best friend and I thank you for always being more than just a brother. Without your support I never would have lasted a day. Second of all I need to thank the people who have kept me here, my friends. There are far too many names to put down on paper but I must thank Stu, Pete, Ro, Timmy, "Little Man", Doc, rm 101, and rm 118. I love you guys. God Bless all of you and thank you again.

Dyke 1991: Wade Hawkins
Dyke 1997: Jason McCoy

Bradley Jacob Stenner

History & Int'l Studies / Marine Corps
"Stoner,Jake,Stinkweed,Shnake, 5.0
"

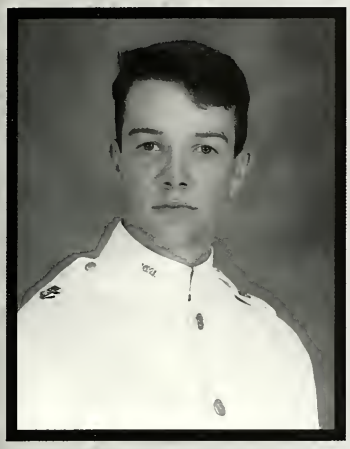
This place has perpetually shaved my buzz for 4 years, now it is over. Can't really say I regret it, however, I also can't say the opposite. To my roommates Rock Bass (where are you?), B.C., and Shmall I'll see you all on the outside. When we get out we'll call an MRS. I can't forget the immense support my family has given me along with some of the jokes and appreciate my girlfriend, Joy, for putting up with me as well. Also special thanks to the Palms and my friends at W&L which has made this place bearable at times. The list of people to note and quote is too long even for the amount of space given, but you all know who you are. If you don't know who you are then it doesn't matter does it. In conclusion I wish all my friends the best in the future and I'll see you around. So now let's go boozen and my parting words to all: C-Ya!

Dyke 1991: Christopher T. Loret (Chet)
Dyke 1997: Calvin L. Bolton

[illegible]-1,3,1; Newman Club-4,3,1; Theater-1; [illegible] Club-1; APO-3; Bloomsburg [illegible] Yankee by birth, Southern Gentle[illegible]...Always!

Rat Ftbl,4; Confined 3; VMIRFC 2,3 (Sec); RF'94 Alcohol Treasurer; Schlivetz 3,2,1; Dean's List; Beef 2,1; Cco OGA Rep 1; Virgin Private; Texan.

4 year letter varsity soccer, Marine Corps commission, $106.38 (with B.C.), graduating on time, keeping my sense of humor at this place



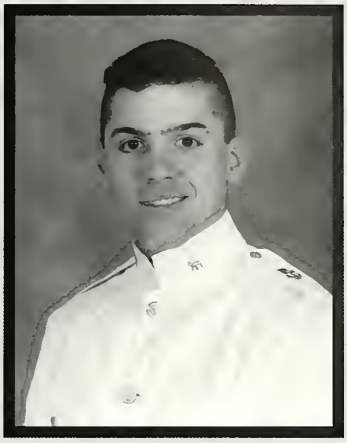
Stacy Hammond Story, IV

Biology / Special Student
"Ham; Hambone; Chuck"

"Each day is a drive thru history" JIM MORRISON First off, I would like to thank the administration for making my four years here as miserable as they really were. I would like to thank the Lord for always being there for me despite the adversity. Thanks to the Bio. dept for putting up with me for three years. Randy, Robin, Keith (are you ever coming back?), Rusty, Matt, and Asphalt- thanks for the friendship. I know I could be difficult sometimes. The memories will always live large in my memories, especially living in room 323! Thanks Mom and Dad for supporting me all these years, and Brent, I don't blame you if you decide not to go here. Carmen, thanks for setting my life straight, and despite what happens, I will always be in debt to you. Your love means so much to me. To the rest of my brother rats, take it easy!

Dyke 1991: William David Manning
Dyke 1997: Joel Wouter Harding

Pvt 4,2,1; Dean's List 4,2,1; Illegal Car Club 4,3; Hell's Kitchen 3; Roadrunners 2; Mountain Bike Team 1; Asleep 4,3,2,1; Stu's Little Helpers 2; Special Student Forces 4,3,2,1; Wish I were in Georgia Club 4,3,2,1.



Adam Todd Strickland

History & English / Army S.S.
"Jesus, Chief, Strick, Trash"

To all who told me to pack lightly four years ago, I have but this to say, I'm Adam Todd Strickland - and you suck! For the good tax payers of Virginia who paid for the majority of my education, I say thank you, it was money well spent. To all who participated in the defamation of Washington's statue, you'll not be forgotten. To Bam Bam, Mo Mo, Chainsaw, and Matty,; while always able to run off a list of my accomplishments at the I. on demand, the real credit goes to the four of you, who will always have my respect, admiration, and thanks. To my mother who provided me with this opportunity, I say only - I love you. The Institute and Roe Browning have undoubtedly changed not only my future, but my entire outlook on life. For all who want to as I, you need a member to be a member. Oh how I clung to this Institute of dung. Emily-Aug 95?

Dyke 1991; Eric Soupie Burks
Dyke 1997: Joel Kusterer?

Cpl.3, Ops.Sgt 2, Reg.S-3 Lt.; Cadre 2,1; Wrestling 4; Disco Wizard 3,2,1; Roe Browning Disciple 3,2; AC Stars 2; RDC #1 4; RDC 1; Workaholic 2,1; Alcoholic 3,2,1; Ring Figure Legend

Nimit Suwannarat

Electrical Engineer / Special Student
"Nimit, Meat"

Time passes by quickly. I could hardly communicate with anybody when I first came to VMI. Many thanks to my EE BRs for all the support, as goes to everyone else who helped out. P'yoy, P'ya without you I wouldn't have made it, not to mention the ones in room, Grendel, Lurch, Shogun, and Harold, thank you. Finally, to my parents and my lovely country and homeland, you all got me through. Overall, I'm very glad I came. SAWADEE

Dyke 1991: Piya Sirisuth, Thanakorn Pheeraphan
Dyke 1997: Pattana Punmongkol

International Club 3,2; AC stars 3,2,1; Raven & Crown Happy Hour 1

William Vesta Sweeney III
Air Force / English, minor History
"Billy, Bonk"

There's not much that I can really say. It is impossible to fit three and a half years into one paragraph. I have been told time and time again that if it's easy, it's not worth doing. If that is the case than VMI is the most worthwhile thing that I have ever done. I have had the best and worst times of my life here. Joe, Ann, and Mary, I owe you everything. I can never thank you enough for all you have done and being there when I have needed you. I could not have asked for better roommates the last three years. We may be going our separate ways but our friendship will live forever. Scott, Andy, and Danny, I'll never forget Ring Figure and road trippin' third class year. Last but definitely not least, Kim. I thank God for the love we have every day. I have taken my last business trip. GOD BLESS the class of '94.

Dyke 1991: Ed Fuller
Dyke 1997: Brett Thompson

Robert Dighton Taylor IV
Hi & En / Army
"Grumpy, creature"

I would like to thank my parents and brother for all the support that they have given me through out my cadetship. Carla I don't know if I can thank you enough for putting up with me and my friends. We've traveled some rocky roads, but things allways turned out for the better. I would never have made it without your support, especially second class year. Thankyou so much. Matt, Kevin, Jason, Charles and George, you guys are the best roomates. I'm glad we have all become such good friends and I'm looking forward to seeing you all in the future. Jim and Jason thanks for all the time we got to spend together on confinement. 102,117,118 you all have help make this school fun at times and I'm glad we all got to spend our weekends together, thanks. Ron hang in there Scott doesn't really know what he missed.

Dyke 1991: Chris Tremaglio (Norm)
Dyke 1994:Ron Ferguson (Uncle Fester)

John Robert Teal
History / Army
"J.R., Junior"

It's Thursday night the OCNI just ran I'd like to write something special, but I'd rather go to the Palms. That's My history I try to get out of here when ever and how ever.

Dyke 1991:Rob Johnson (the Patton guy. not the HC guy)
Dyke 1997 :Dan Weatherford

First cpl. 3, master sgt. 2, H company commander 1, RDC 1, Rat Training 3, Boxing 2, Prolagi Club 1, Hotel Chairman Ring Figure 3,2 , KIM.

Cpl 3; plt sgt 2; pvt 1; football 4; Ranger Challenge 2,1; Big Red club 3,2,1; Deans list 4,3,1; Hall of justice 2,1; number 1 club 2; MNB XO 1.

Major Accomplishments: Rat 4; Army Driver 3; MBC Club 3; Beta bystander 3; Roadrunners 2; Pulaski Law Society 2; Palms Karoki Club 1; Confinement 3,2,1; Cadet Staff 2,1; French Society 1; Florida 4,3,2.

Jason Jon Thomas

Civil Engineering / Special Student
"Chicken Boy, Chicken, JJ"

For what seems like four million years, we crafted our education,our values, and our friendships. We were trampled on, beaten down, and drug through the flames. What a way to spend four years of your life! Now, we must go and live new lives in a world indifferent to this march across the floor of Hell. The only thing certain about our cadetships is our eternal brotherhood. As my Mother constantly reminded me, we will draw from its power forever. My outside family was my strength. Thank you Mom, Dad, Rachel, and everyone for offering your love. My inside family was my vision. Night and day, we haunted Nicholls Engineering in pursuit of an intangible reward. Now it is ours!

To Baby D., Flash, Z, Slug, The Kid, and everyone else: what fun it was to dance through the fire! Chickens, I'm coming home!

Dyke 1991: ?????-Pin Yu
Dyke 1994: Noah "The Hessian" Slemp

Invisible Rat 4; Dean's List 4,3; Camp Scholarship 3,2,1; Grungy Cpl 3; NEB 618 Club 3,2; Slack Sgt 2; Preston Drive-In Committee 2,1; Tau Beta Pi V.P., Heinous Private 1; In Love 1.

William Chase Thornton

Civil Engineer / Special Student
"Chaz, Bert"

Well, there is only a few months left I still don't see how I survived. Now I finally get to go into the real world hoping that the agony will pay off. For helping me through my years here I first want to thank my mom who has always been my strongest support. Through all of my complaining she kept pushing me to better myself. I also would like to thank my Dad and brother who were always there for me when I needed them. Without the support of my roommates, Rob, Mitch, and Paul, I may have never made it through. Thanks for the room criticism it helped to keep me in line. To Mitch and Rob, the years not over and I'm sure there will be many more road trips to wherever we end up. To Hans, I hope you pull it out next semester and come with us. Max and Tic, hope to take more of those elevated drives our final semester.

Dyke 1991: Chris Barnes
Dyke 1997: Charles "Chooch" Ayers

Rat 4; 2nd Corporal 3; Rat Training 3,2; Number one club 3,2,1; V.M.I Firefighters 2,1; Big Brother Little Brother 1; Private 4,2,1;Big Red Club 1.

Russell David Tilgner

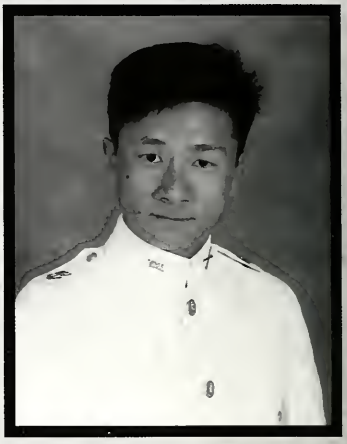
Computer Science / Air Force S.S.
"Special, Fo-head, the Tilg"

Rough Times. Long days. Bad grades. Heartbreaks Demerits. Co Rooms. BRC. Rat Bible, Friday Parades, Late Nights. MEIs. Specials. Tears shed. Brother Rats. Breakout Class Rings. Soccer Games Roommates. Exams. Graduation!

Wouldn't Trade It For Anything!! M, D, S, T, L Thanks for helping me get through all the rough times.

Dyke 1990: Rob Schnock
Dyke 1997: Jason "Rocks" Bade

AFROTC Award of Merit 4; Dean's List 4 2 1; AAS Officer 3; Lt 4, 3; So Conf Acad Team 4,2,1; So Conf 1st Team (soccer)3; Cpt Soccer Team 4 3; PC Corner 3.5,1



James Joseph Todd, III
History / Special Student
"Chicken Man, Cool Daddie"

I remember reading these things as a Rat and thinking that my time would never come. Well, here it is. Thanks Mom and Dad for making this all possible. We did it together and you are two of the best Brother Rats I have. Matt and Tim, you guys have been a constant here for me and have made this place much more bearable. Without the late nights in the courtyard, the trips to Tech and the beach, and the unending patience we have had with each other, we never could have made it. You two are truly my brothers. And Kate...you seem to understand me and this place more than I do sometimes and I hope that soon I can repay you with an eternity of happiness for all that you have given me.

Thanks to everyone. We finally made it.
I love you all.
Carpe Diem.

Dyke 1991: Chris Watkins
Dyke 1997: David Short

Philip Scott Townsend
History / Air Force
"Stinky, Stinker, Petey"

Well its finally here, but it seems like it took forever to do. My years here at VMI have been filled with blood, sweat and tears. I've made friends that I know I can count on for the rest of my life. I've learned alot about life and I've done a lot of growing up. I have a lot of people to thank for the support they have given me. First, I have to thank God for giving me the spiritual strength and being the one set of footprints in the sand when I needed to be carried. Mom and Dad thank for the chance to prove to you and myself that I could survive. I love you both andI will forever be indebted to you. Kim, now its your turn to make dad's hair fall out. Thanks for all the carepackages and letters you're the greatest. Laura, its just beginning, but oh how it has started, lets make it last, I love you. Steve, Ben, Pete and John, I'll never forget you.

Dyke 1991: Charlie Stringer?
Dyke 1997: Jason"Stupid Rat"Roberts

Vinh Gia Trinh
B.S. Biology / Army HUA S.S.
"Campbell ?, Trin Mon, Shao Jeng"

"Road less traveled" ? No wonder! It's filled with dips and bumps and leads no where. Which is why I'm thankful for good friends to smooth out the bumps and for a caring family who point me in the right direction. Thanks Diep for being there. As always you came through for me. Kimmy, if only memories could be bottled and sold we would be millionaires. Mike & Rich, you guys were the greatest roommies this rat could've ended up with. Thanks for strapping me in. Khanh & Wei, what can I say. It's been real..It's been fun...At times it's even been real fun! But of course I owe everything to my family. You are the source of my success. Thank you for your guidance and love. All my heart goes out to you Ba, Me, Ba Noi. I love you... Yo Boody, hang in there bro. and enjoy the ride.

Dyke 1991: George Hale
Dyke 1997: Brian Lee, Phu (Boody) Trinh

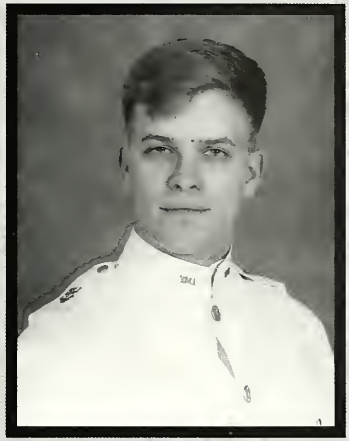
Lt (1), Cadet Battery (4,3,2,1), S-5 Staff (3,2,1), Ac Pro (4,3,2), I-81 Rock (2), Cocke Hall '94 (2), Independent Legal Study (2).

Ac. Pro-3,2; Rugby-4,3,2,1; Glee Club-4;FCA-2,1; VMI Theater 1;VMI FireFighters-2; After Taps Excursions 2,1; Dean's Other List-4,3,2,1

Dean's List now & then; Inter. Club 4,3,2,1; C.I.G. 3; Fire Fighter 2; Waiter Club 2,1; Private 4,3,2; Private First Class 1; 205 Fair Lane 2; 245-145 crew 2,1.

Timothy Nicholas Troester
Civil Engineering / Navy
"Jester, Toaster"

I guess it all started by getting a letter in the mail for a military school in Virginia. I sent in the application and the next thing I knew I was straining and wondering what I had done. Rat year went quickly and I was glad when breakout came along. Next followed the Academic Rat Line, my grades slid down hill and I got dumped by my High school Sweetheart. My roommates Chris and Dan really helped to get through it all. The next year was Ring Figure, I couldn't believe it. I actually found a date from Wisconsin (Ring Figure was great Tams) and got my RING! Finally First Class year rolled around. I got my rat (what a chore) and things looked like I just may make it out of here. I think I really am going to miss VMI and all the good times that I had here. Chris, Dan, Bill, Andrew, and yes you too Mike thanks for being great roommates and good luck in the future. Finally I would like to thank my parents and my girl friend Tammy Staehler for providing that extra bit of support to get through the rigors of VMI.



David Keith Truslow
EN / Special Student
"Truz, ___hole, Busload"

I ain't graduatin' in May, but I don't need to come back here to finish up either! I was dazed when I got here and I'm still confused, but this place sure has taught me a few things. The people here mean the most, so now for the many decidedly non-obligatory acknowledgements: Louie- we're the only survivors of 171. How did that happen?!; Jason-I coulda killed you for that #1 back then, but hey, WHAT THE F___! Save me a spot on the steam grate; Trey and Logan- you shoulda stayed. Chris- man, we been some places and done some stuff! Don't forget to mention me in your book. Suave- what can I say? You've been a hell of a roommate and friend. I ain't no fruit or nothin' but I love both of you. Mom, Jennifer, Matt- thanks for everything. Rachel- "You and me babe, how about it?" Woman, I love you more than words can ever hope to say.

Dyke 1991: Jeff Covey
Dyke 1997: Bill "Spunk-boy" Stagg

Wilson Coe Tucker
Mechanical Engineering / Army
"Willie, Tuck, Friar"

Well four years have passed and we have made it to the end. We started as rats and ended as Brother Rats. It wasn't all fun or easy but we pressed on, and on,...and on. Throughout the time I have spent here I have managed to remain sane by relying on friends and family. Although none of my B.R.'s have ever let me down there are certain friends and family I need to thank. First is my fiancee. Tina, you stuck with me through it all. I can never repay for your patience. The second group I need to thank is my family. All of you were always there. And finally my roommates. You all kept me under control every day when the "I" got to me for this I thank you all. Even when we had our bad times we were always friends. Jason keep on pressing V.M.I. will let you out. (Maybe)

Dyke 1991: Tom McCrary
Dyke 1997: Jason Gruse

Dyke 1991: Daniel S. Joseph
Dyke 1997: Jason St. Clair

F-Troop 4,3,2,1; English Society 4,3,2,1; Cadet Staff 2,1; Outreach 2; RoadRunners 1; "Absolut" Mania 4; Drunk @ Brawling 3; Club 276; Captain's Quarters 1; #1 3; Conduct Pro 2; #2, #3 1

V.M.I. Summer School Club Chairman, escaped from Mallory Hall (barely)

Christian Frederick Tujo

Economics / AirForce
"Rocko, Huge, Tujjj, Cre-Cre"

Well here I am in my last year, it seems like just yesterday I was signing on the dotted line. V.M.I. has given me the opportunity to altar my life, and for that I am grateful. My experiences here have been challanging, yet rewarding. I have inherited a wealth of knowledge which hopefully will be beneficial in the future. Coach Maini thanks for giving me the opportunity to come to V.M.I. Patchin, thanks for all the great memories. Being a part of the growth of the baseball program has been a great experience. Mom and Dad thanks for your patience and support. I could have never made it without the two of you. Charlie you are a hard act to follow, and no I'm not going to medical school. Yogie, you are on the right road keep pedaling. Wendy, I thank God every night that we met, I guess we turned the right corner.

Dyke 1991: Pat Kiley
Dyke 1997: Romando Harrison, Dale Moore, Chris Berry

Dan Bonelle Turner, III

English / Marine Corps
"HoCheese, HO"

I can definitely say that I have seen the best and worst that VMI has to offer. I have great memories with a group of friends who I will have for life, suffered months of barracks and post confinement, and found and lost true love. I guess what I really learned is the type of person that I want to be. I thank my Nookie, Peace, the second side of the DarkHo, Sam, my soul mate, Stiffy, BH, my teacher/mentor, (to name only a few), and everyone else who helped me keep my sanity in this place. I also thank my parents for their support through all of my trials and tribulations: my diploma is dedicated to my beautiful Mother, and my bars I dedicate to my Father and his endless strength. Finally, in the tradition of my dyke, I will to my rat, the DON-DON, the ability to learn and grow with a clear mind and conscious.

Dyke 1991: Evan Brown
Dyke 1997: Donny Hasseltine

James Daniel Tynan

International Studies / Air Force
"Cooter; Reverend; Jimmy T"

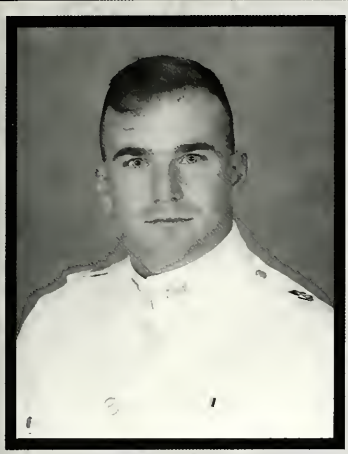
I came to VMI not knowing what to expect, and I leave VMI notknowing what to expect, but I guess that's par for the course. My days here were too long and hours of sleep not enough. I can honestly say it's been a pain, but in the future I may begin to understand VMI better. To the Wrestling team, best of luck and I'll miss you all. To all my friends, best of luck in the future; I'll never forget you. Geof, Todd, and John, what can I say? Thanks for everything, good luck, and (HAF HAF HAF). And to Tina, even though our future is uncertain, I love you and wish you the best of luck-Thanks. And to my family, I thank you for being so supportive and for all the valuable lessons you taught me about life.

Dyke 1991: Brian McReynolds
Dyke 1997: Andy "Pinball" Clark

Baseball 4,3,2,1 ; Monogram Club 2,1 ; Newman Club 1 ; Virgin Private 4,3,2,1 ; Rookbecks 4,3,2,1.

Institute Scholar 4; USMC Scholarship 3; Rank 3,2,1; #1 Club (*2) 3; Rat Challenge 1; DarkHo 3,2,1; 5-0 Crew 2,1; MeadHall 1; Drank too much 4,3,2,1; Sem Slam Board 2,1; NADS Builder 2; General Dumb Ass 4,3,2,1

Private 4,3,2,1; Lt 1; Wrestling 4,3,2; Dean's List 3,2,1; Academic All-Southern Conf 3; VMI Firefighters 1; Arnold Air Society 1; S-5 staff 2,1; John Vazquez Study Skills Seminar 4,3,2,1.



James John Tyrell
Civil Engineering / Army
"Jimmy, Turd" (mostly Turd)

Nil carborundum illegitimi. This old Latin phrase quite succinctly sums up how I managed to get through this place. Loosely translated it means "Don't let the bastards grind you down". And if 4 years of cadre, academics, and Institute "officials" can't do it-no one can. However, I don't believe for a second that I did it alone. Mom and Dad, your love and support was an endless well of strength that was only a phone call away. I love you. Roomies: you sure got the sharp end of the stick on the roommate thing. I can't tell you how much you guys have meant to me. George: Semper Fi, bud (you know that hurt), Jay: you're "all that" and more, Heeb: Ya bug me! (but I still love ya). Z, Chicken, Stevo, Slug, et. al.: Thanks for all the laughs and memories. Matt: Nil carborundum illegitimi, bud. You'll be here sooner than you think.

Dyke 1991: William Rusher
Dyke 1997: Jared Wood

Anthony Michael Underhill
Mechanical Engineering / S.S.
"Underpig,Underworm,Underwoman"

First, I have to thank my parents for making sacrifices so that I could go to VMI. Thank you it paid off. What a short/long four years. I am glad it is over but I know I will miss the many friend that I have made here. Jeff have fun next year without me. Jay, I couldn't have made it without you, and for Maria (ring figure date) it looks like I'm going to have to make it without you. Slug eat some bacon, Jae you smell like kim-chi, Z try not to fall out of bed, Kuo how many wives do you have, and Derek where were you first class year?

Dyke 1991: Chris "Jaws" Daniels
Dyke 1997: Chris Scott

Christopher Brian Valenti
English / Special Student

I got a card this year from my aunt, (yes, I get mail now and again) and she wrote, "Congratulations! You've made it to your first class year! You should be proud...," or something to that effect. I had a mixed reaction. I was flattered, but felt an uncontrolable urge to be HONEST with her. So I wrote her back, "The VMI Experience is kind of like standing still while a wild mob hurls mud in your face. I don't know if that's pride or stupidity." It's overall the same, and I know I will miss everyone very much. I owe everything to my parents. They've put up with as much as I have for the past four years. Thank you Betty and Dad, I love you. As for you Bill, living with you for the past three years has proven suitibly arduous, even for VMI standards. I'll miss your companionship, my hip will never stop bleeding. Tune in, Turn on, Burn out! "Can I believe my friends all gone with their voices still a glory in my ears?"

Dyke 1991: Doug Yeabower
Dyke 1997: Tom Call

Rat:4; Cadre 3-2; PVT 1; Ranger Plt 4-3-2; OGA 1; Wrong side of the Tracks 4-3-2-1; Nuthut 4; Hybl's Henchmen 2; NEB Theatre 3-2-1; Amoeba Society 2; Spankygate 1; RU experienced 4-3-2-1.

Band 4,3,2,1, Glee Club, 4, OCF 4,3,2,1, Chaplain's Bible Study 4,3,2,1, Bugler 3,2,1, ASME 1, AIAA 1, PVT 4,3,2,1 Cross Country 4, Brass Ensemble 4,1

EIC Sounding Brass 1; Pres. English Society 1; Cadet Staff

Kevin Terrell Vermillion
English / Special Student
"Vermin"

Would I do it all over again? Believe it or not I would. I can't say that I enjoyed everyday at V.M.I., or every other day for that matter, I suppose I was never one for studying. I'd have to say one leg of my "three legged stool" is smaller than the others. However, one thing is for certain, the friendships made and the lessons learned will never be forgotten. My roommates, (Matt, Jason, George, Dyke, Charles), really made the difference. None of this would have been possible without the love and support of my family. Thank you mom, dad, and Ashley. Lee, you have always been there for me. Sometimes you were the only one who could make me smile, I couldn't have asked for a better girlfriend. To the dykes of 101, you did a good job, enjoy having hair, and, "keep your stuff off my desk."

Dyke 1991: Scott Day
Dyke 1997: Rick "Vern" Brown

Stephen Andrew Volgyi
German-Int'l Studies / Naval Science
"Pistol Pete,Beaker,Volginator"

It is very hard to sumarize four years of hard work into such a short space. I'll begin by addressing all those people who have little coinfidence in my abilities. You were wrong. TAKE STOCK in my future endeavors! The true key to life is never stop fighting. I have not suceeded not due to any great skill but by weathering out these four years, Quitting was never an option. For all those who supported me, especially my Mom & Dad, the words Thank You, I feel are a futile attempt to show my gratitude. I Love You BOTH very much. A word of thanks to my roommates Gene & Brian for your advice and support—couldn't have made it without you. The memories will always be good. To my Rat, Chris, remember if you don't believe in yourself, who else will. Follow what we taught you and you will be OK. Goodbye VMI & Brother Rats. I'm out of here.

Dyke 1991: "Boomer" Wang
Dyke 1997: Chris Bowers

Geof Dale Voorhees
Economics / Army
"Jason, Chainsaw "

First I would like to thank God, for without him none of this would have been possible. I would also like to thank my family and all who have stood beside me these 4 years. VMI has shown me many things, but most of all it has given a me standard to live by for the rest of my life. The one, and I mean one, thing I will miss when we all part and go our separate ways will be the people. There are so many of you, I cannot begin to start, but good luck with all of your future plans. I will never miss the constant struggle and day to day monotony. Again to all of my friends, I say good luck in whichever road you travel.

Dyke 1991: Tom VanBenchoten
Dyke 1997: Matt "Shorthand" Linderman

Corporal, 1st Sgt., Op. Sgt., Lt., Cadre Instructor, Ranger Company, Rat Training Cadre, S-5 Tour Guide, V.M.I. Firefighter, "Hall of Justice"

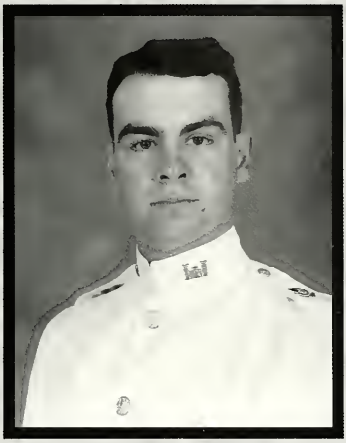
Pvt 4, 3,5, 2; H Co,Guidon 1; 141 Deerslayers, Rack Society 4,3,2,1; Reg.CO--Air-Lats Staff, Distinguished Member of Copenhagen Club; Special Envoy to the President's Committee on Sleep Deprivation; The Funny-Gunny

Honor Court 2,1;Prosecutor 1;Pvt 4;1st Cpl 3,1st Sgt 2; Cadet Captain 1;TEBA 4,3,2,1 ;TEBA Vice Pres. 2; College Republicans 1;Ring Figure Honor Guard 3.

Steven Paul Ward
History / Air Force S.S.
"Radar, "P", Wardo"

I took "the road less traveled" and followed it to the end.Very soon I will leave this "HOME" and all it has to offer,or there lack of,and begin again.To all my rommies, MUD &Woody-you will B remembered,it was worth it with you 2,Weave&Weed-it sure has been an experience,but one that I would gladly do over with you guys, and Spanky-who I have been with since kindergarten,I wish you the best and dont forget I'm only a phone call away and always here for you. Rooms 104 &146 &158-thanks for the "good" times.To the rest of you,you know who you are.it has been real. PALS. Finally to my family, mom, dad,Brent,&Nana.Thanks for putting up with everything, without your support it would have been alot harder.Although my gratitude could never be enough it is all I have to offer.I love you all and thanks.Doc,I owe you more than I can ever repay,thanks.Sam keep an eye open 4 us!

Dyke 1991: Mike "Jannush" Jannusch
Dyke 1997: Brad "Smiley" Aughinbaugh



Kevin Lee Warfield
Mechanical Engineering / Army
"Battlefield, Dagwood, Nasty"

There's no way possible to sum up four years in one paragraph. I'll start with thanking the people that made it all possible. Mom,Dennis,you two have made many sacrifices in order for me tomake this trek.There's no way I could ever repay you foreverything you have done. To my rat roommates, Ray, Sean, Garrett,we had some great times together,eating Paco's food and BSing when we should have been studying.Joe,Chad,we too had fun over the 2 years.Learning to put up with Chad's uptight ways and Joe's nasty feet was really amusing. Gramps, Big Frank, this is my first and last year with you guys, and it's been great.I'm now a devoted fan of Sinatra.V.M.I. had been my choice as second best, but now I know that it was the best choice I could have made. Trey and Squirrley, hang in there.Thanks to the M.E. study group for helping me graduate.

Dyke 1991: Mike "Gozer" Gesser
Dyke 1997: Trey "No Mail" Dail

Michael Todd Weaver
History / Air Force
"Weave"

I took the road less traveled, and damn it was a rocky one, but I can't say that I didn't have fun breaking EVERY rule. The friendships I made here will last a lifetime. Weed-you have been like a brother, Cranky Spanky-enough said. Steve-Thanks for the music lessons. Nub-Give me a F...in beer. Camilius, Brian, Tic, S, B.A., Max- it has been great, keep in touch. Mom, Dad, and Kelly- I owe everything to you. Although I don't show it sometimes I love you all more than more than you'll ever know. Thank you, Melissa-I love you and always will. I couldn't have made it without you. Sam- I miss you more than anything and you will always be in my heart. PALS.

Dyke 1991: Tim Nolan
Dyke 1997: Dan "Good News" Williams

Cpl 3;Sgt 2;PVT 4,1;Baseball 4;Counselor 1;CG 4,3,2,1;Rider's Club 1;Newspaper Staff 2,1;Dean's Other List 4,3;Rat Training 3,2;Summer School 4,3,2;Dazed&Confused 1;Annoyed 4,3,2,1;SmartAss 4,3,2,1.

Honor Court 1;Batt. S-4 1;G Co. 1st Sgt.;TMS 3,2,1

Lacrosse 4,3; CPL 3; SGT 2; PVT 1; C.G. 4,3,2,1; Dean's List 2; Cadet Staff 1; Milwaukee's Best Customer of the Year 4,3,2,1; Riders Club wanna be 1.

James Michael Webb
Electrical Engineering / S.S.
"Webb, Gain, Little Chief, etc..."

A very exciting moment has come and soon will be gone. Graduationis a mere taste of what is yet to come. Have you ever read TheOld Man and the Sea, by Hemingway? Life seems modeled after that book for some reason. Just as the old man was longing for that one big fish, we are similar, as we long for that big happening. Leaving VMI is that happening. But after this, we must go out and find other fish to land, and the story of life goes on and on.Hopefully, we will all remember the struggles we went throughtogether before that first big fish, and cherish those memories forever... As we continue our journey in life, we must realize that we are a very special group of young men. Remember, we are a diverse group that has been placed in a diverse society. Nevertheless, we will survive. We have for this long, haven't we?

Dyke 1991: John Childs
Rat 1994: Cliff Shifflett

Chung-Hsing Wei
Electrical Engineering / Navy S.S.
"Ta-Too, Professor, Weima

LATER !

Dyke 1991: Wai-Kin Tong
Dyke 1997: William Tong

Mitchell Mead Wells
Economics & Business / S. S.
"Mitch"

Its hard to believe that I made it through this place for four years. With all the bad times and S—! that I had to put up with over and over, I tried to find something positive to keep me going... but I usually I came up empty. The advice and support of my friends and roommates, in addition to their feeling as miserable as me, made my stay at Hotel VMI as accommodating as possible. After leaving this GREAT place (Ha!) once and for all, the only thing I am going to miss will be all the memorable times with all of those special people who made them possible. Chase, Paul & Rob- thanks for being great roommates, I love you guys and I will always be there for y'all. Finally, I could have never made it if it were not for the overwhelming love and support of my family. I love all of you. Dad- Here's to the Brotherhood of the Ring!

Dyke 1991: Geoff Dick
Dyke 1994: Tim Moore

Graduation 1, Cape Hatteras Surf Fisherman, North Carolina Beach Buggy Association Member

Virgin private 4,3,2,1; Tau Beta Pi 2,1; 188 Fast Lane;150 parades; 40 R/PTs; 245-145 crew 2,1.

Pvt. 4,2,1; Cpl. 3; Dean's List 4; Cadre 3; Number 1 Club- Unauthorized BAR in Barracks 3; Rat Challenge 2; Firefighters 2,1; Cadet Staff 1; Big Red Club 1; BB/LB 1; Road Trips 1.

Charles Berry West, III
History / Special Student
"Cheez Whiz, Chahz"

The four years I have spent here are no doubt the longest years of my life so far. I believe that VMI has given me somestandards that will stick with me for the rest of my life. Hopefully, after graduation, I will begin to forget all of my complaints and start looking back on this time with fond memories. Of one thing I am sure, no one can make it through VMI without a strong network of friends and family. Mom and Katy, thanks for being faithful to keep my mailbox busy and supporting me throughthe worst times. Walter, my best friend, your guidance has me and the world to me. My buddies, "Outlaw", Timmy, Stu, Russ, Charles, Ro, Dyke, Jase, Kevin, Matt, and Rm 102, thanks for what are probably the greatest times I'll ever have. I don't expect to ever have such close, loyal friends for the rest of my life.

Dyke 1991: Vic Dewyea
Dyke 1997: Andrew Ervin (Ange)

Dean's List 4,3,2,1; corporal 3; First Sergeant 2; Cdt Captain 1; Cadet Investment Group 3,2; Big Brothers/Little Brothers 3; hid "Little Man" in my misc. box 4,3,2; Honor Court 2,1, President 1

James Daniel Whalen, Jr.
Economics and Business / Air Force
Jamie, Pig

Well, this is finally it. Four years ago we all chose to take that road less traveled for whatever reason, and now we are finally at the end of this long and difficult journey. Mom, Dad, Janet, and Terry I Love You All. I am forever indebted to you. Without your unending love and support, I never would've made it to this point in my life. Endless thanks to all my roommates over the years in rooms 407, 309, 209, and 109 for their support and tolerance of having to live with me. Good Luck guys! To the guys I leave behind on the football team: hang in there, keep working your butts off, and don't ever give up. It'll all pay off one day. Paige, dreams really do come true. Thank You for always being there for me. I Love You! Horse and buggy, huh? And last but not least to all our rats in 109 don't ever lose sight of what you came here for. Remember, the days seem to last forever but the years go by quickly.

Dyke 1991: Joe Sokolowski
Dyke 1997 Joe Kimiecinski

Football 4, 3, 2, 1

Paul Howard Whitmore
History / Air Force
"Whitless, Slim, Whit"

When I matriculated in 1990, I looked and saw the great struggle that lay before me on my way to graduation. Well, now is that time and I realize that it was worth the pain and torment. Regardless of the griping that I did, I believe that I made the right choice. I also realize and appreciate the help and friendship of the people who endured the 'I's finest idiosyncracies with me. Mike, Brian, Nelson, & Sam: We had some really great times in '52. I think DIRBY DIRBY sums it all up. Good luck to all of you. Gary, Alex, Joe, Jim, Andy, Mikes E,R,W, Bob, Bills E&P, it's been a real blast. Keep in touch! Who's won the final game? Mike B, you'll make it. I did. KIT. 152 Rats, good luck & have fun. Finally Mom and Dad, I'll never forget and can't repay all the love and support you've given me all these years. Thanks for all your help. I love you and Ginger, too. God Bless.

Dyke 1991: Patrick T. Rohan
Dyke 1997: Michael L. Brown, Jr.

Civil War Round Table-4,3,2,1; President-1, S3-32; Glee Club-4,3,2,1; Glee Club S3-1; Historian-2; Sentinels-2,1; Int Rel Club-4,3,1; Cheerleader-3; Republicans Club-2,1; Club 55-2,1; Private-4,3,2,1

Todd Gerald Witt
Economics / USMC
"Snake,Claude,Tango Whiskey"

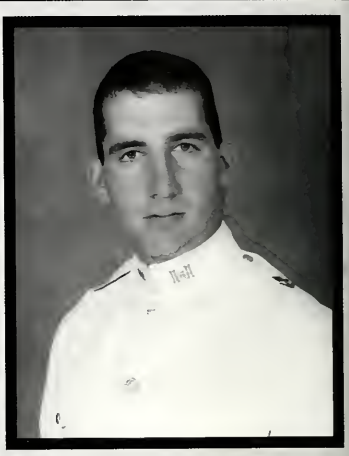
We all come to VMI as strangers, and are now about to leave with a bond between each other that can never be broken. These 4 yrs are what most people refer to as the "best 4 yrs of your life." We made a decision along with many sacrifices no one will ever understand except those among us. Whether you liked VMI or not..Well, "A mind is of its own, it can make a heaven of hell or a hell of heaven." I owe much gratitude to my family. Without their support, this would have never been possible. I'd like to thank God for giving me the opportunity which many others may not ever encounter. To Geof, Jim, and John, the best of luck to you in whatever road you choose to follow. As for me, I plan to continue down the road less traveled.

Dyke 1991: Chip Mclean
Dyke 1997: Jason "Dumbo" Foresman

Hilbert Watson Wilkinson, III
Mechanical Engineering / S.S.
"Wilki,New Kid,Wiznusky,Wiz"

Dear Brother Rats, Thanks to my roommates who have put up with my late nights and the difficulty in living with me. I appreciate the ME's who have given me help (Yes Wiz!) with projects and homework when necessary. Without your help I might not have made it. Huge thanks go to my parents who have supported me throughout my VMI experience and stood behind all my efforts with relentless encouragement. Although VMI has not been the most pleasurable experience, it has been very interesting. To Bravo Company, our rat experience was unbearable and will never be forgotten. As I close, I look at the past and to the future. I am overjoyed that we are finished and am excited about our future as individuals and as a class. I see graduation with a great big bright smile but will leave VMI with a larger dimmer tear. Take care I'll miss ya'll, the Class of 1994!

Dyke 1991: William E. Coleman, III
Dyke 1997: Justin L. Corsetti
KIA #51 13 November 1993



Christopher Robert Wilson
Mechanical Engineering / Army
"BigHead, BH"

First and foremost thank you mom and dad for everything, you took every step with me and sometimes you gave me a shove when I needed it. Lisa you always let me know there was a real world out there somewhere. Toaster and Ho thanks for the best, worst year that I could have had, it's strange how things work out. Kurt, Leaky, and Mat Tie there is always the Trough, the rack, and everything else that happened in the 08s. All of us in one room has to bend a couple of rules of reality. Sean, Fred, Dawg, and especially RJ, what can you say? Get a little psycho! Guthrie, Mag-Man, and Jeff your room made ours look normal. VMI with all of its "good deals" teaches us all one thing though. "If you must mount the gallows, give a jest to the crowd, a coin to the hangman, and make the drop with a smile on your lips." R Jordan

Dyke 1991: Tom Harmon
Dyke 1994: John Duckworth

[illegible]:Cpl 3;Plt Sgt 2;Alpha XO 1;RDC 1;VMI [illegible]fighters 2,1;College Republicans 1;CIG [illegible] 1;TFBA 4,3,2,1;Football 4;Wrestling [illegible];Scuba Fi Society 2,1;Drug & Alcohol [illegible] 2,1;Hall of Justice 2,1

Wrestling 4, Ranger Challenge 3, Airborne School 3, Boxing 2,1 2nd in Regionals 2, Spirit Squad 2, AC Pro 1st Sem. 2, CIG 2,1, 4 Yr Mechanical Engineering Student with 2 Summers of Summer School

Corporal 3; Operations Sergeant 2; Platoon Lieutenant 1; CADRE 1,2; ASME 1; Member of the TROUGH 2,1; Room-In-Gross-Disorder Master 2

Leandro Tyrome Worrell
Electrical Engineering / Air Force
"Squirrel, Skippy, Mr.Cool"

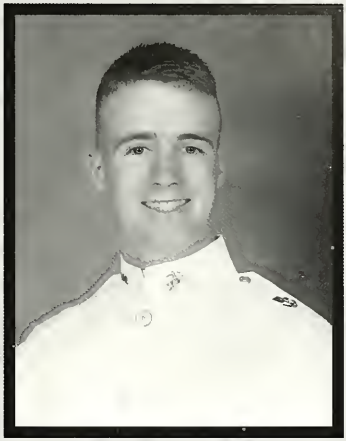
I can't believe that I am writing my first class history. I am still trying to answer the question,"Why did I come to VMI?" I can still remember matriculation day almost like it was last month. Although I will be glad to leave VMI, I will miss it. The "VMI" experience has taught me a lot, and sculpted me into the man that I am today. The most important thing that VMI taught me was to pray. Without praying and trusting in God, I would not be here to write my class history. I also thank my parents and family for being there to support me and keeping me in their prayers.

Dyke 1991: John Consolvo
Dyke 1997: Carey Micheal

Gerald Seymour Wright
Civil Engineering / Army Hua
"Peace, Gerry-mon"

If I had to do it all over again, I wouldn't. After four years, I've seen and learned a lot of things that I may not have if I hadn't come to VMI. Many people helped me keep my sanity along the way and made me realize I should stay here. The list of names for that is too long, but you know who you are and I thank you. I've met some of the best friends I've ever had, and I hope it doesn't stop at graduation. To the dykes we left behind, I hope you all get through here with as little trouble as possible and stick with it. I'm leaving here a changed man, maybe for the better, and I hope I get a chance to see everyone out in the real world and at reunions. See ya.

Dyke 1991: Steve Imel (Fall), Room 116 (Spring)
Dyke 1997: Stu "Peanut" Walters



Alan Richard Yankowsky
Economics & Business / Marine Corps
"Buck, Yank"

Once upon a time in a town called Lexington, many terrible things happened. After years and years of therapy, the scars will heal. Greg, I forgive you for bringing me here. I'd like to thank my Mom & Dad for the love, understanding, and support they've given me, as well as my sister Kathryn, and the R's. John & Dave, you're great roommates, best friends, and brothers. Thanks for the memories and guidance; good luck and may we meet again later to lie about the years. To my Brother Rats, Co-dykes Phil and Dustin, and my drinking buddies, here's to us! Nick, Brian, & Kirk, ya'll were great dykes. Others will judge us by what ya'll do. "Hey guys, I met this awesome chick. No, no, this one's different than the rest!" VMI '94, God Bless Us.

Days of dreams and fun and games,
Lost Friends and forgotten names.
Those are the days never more to see,
Of all my days most dear to me.
- William Blythe

Dyke 1991: Rich Layton
Dyke 1997: Nick Elliot

4 Rat;3 2nd corporal,2 PVT,1 Super-Stract First-Class PVT;3,2,1 Promaji Club;Big Brother Committee;4,3,2,1 Regimental Band;1 Multi-Cultural Club;1 Hispanic Club.

PVT - 1,2,3,4; CPL - 3 (why); RDC Worm - 4; Ranger Co. - 1,2,3,4; Civilian Clothes Confinement - 1,2,3; Bourbon Street Vet - 2; Conduct Pro - 1; Mead Hall Club - 1

Cpl, Sgt, Pvt & Lt; Cadet Battery 3,2; Bomb Staff 3,2,1; Gunny Reed's Last Bulldog; Semper Fi 3,2,1; "No Parking" 1; Spinner's Club 2,1; Joker 4,3,2,1; HMWHC 4,3,2,1; IHTFP 4,3,2,1; Rock Painting Chairman; Dean's List 4,1;Godletmegraduateontime4-1

Bradley Thomas Yeatts

Economics & Business / Air Force S.S.
"Yeets, C. Oaktrees"

I can't say that I enjoyed it, but I can't say I regret it. "Thank God It Is Finally Over". Mom, Dad, Missy, you went through the rat line along with me, suffered the dreaded third class year, saw me get my ring, and see me graduate. My complaining and crying has been matched by your love and compassion shown toward me. Skane, enjoy the USMC (nice haircut) and your forn. affairs job. Slong (short fuse), "Aim High" and try to get married before you are fifty. Crab, my longest, cleanest, smartest of roommates, we have came a long ways since Rm. 431. Meach, my closest but sneakiest friend, I'll never forget our water battles, hop parties, Sombrero Days, love talks, and "Brown Eyed Girl" dance lessons. How will you survive without me next semester? Holly, you have supported/loved me for over three years. Things got tough and weeks got long, I always knew you were there for me. I love all of you and could never have made it without you.

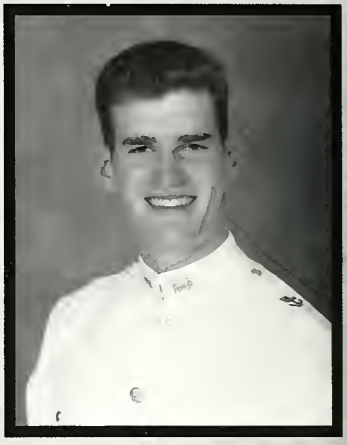
Dyke 1991: Ash Lough (C-86)
Dyke 1997: Peter Ramsey

Sang Hyo Yoo

International Studies / Air Force
"PigMonkey,Slong,SkinnyFat,Su"

VMI was my last choice of schools and I don't know why I came here but it does not matter anymore. There is no simple way to put my 4 year stay at the Institute into words. I have learned so much from VMI. It has taught me several principles to live by. I learned to accept the good with the bad, take a nap everyday, and it's only wrong when you are caught. C.OakTree,Fat-Monkey,Q-Tip,Crab - I'll miss our years together, you guys mean the world to me. To my family, thank you for everything -foodbox, letters, $$,etc. I love you, and I hope I've made you proud. To Yeatts family, I would not have made my Rat year. To Meachams, you guys are my second family. Thank you. To everyone else, thanks for everything. You made my temporary stay more bearable. Jamie good luck and hang in there. It has been fun, hasn't it?

Dyke 1991: Steve Rusher & C-86
Dyke 1997: Jamie Jeter



Matthew Joseph Zenker

Civil Engineering / Navy
"Z, Z-man, Nappi"

Isn't it great how much you can learn through a college education? As an engineering student, I've been taught to focus my thoughts and be analytical. A classic example of this would be when a friend once mentioned how much a seesaw can parallel life. Being the rational idiot that I am, I didn't quite understand this relationship at first. Then one night when I was helping a BR with homework it hit me: it takes two people to ride a seesaw. Life is both more rewarding and more enjoyable when you have someone to push you up—and you them. I can recall many times when someone has been my seesaw partner, an how we both felt the same sense of joy and accomplishment. My family and BR's have taught me to appreciate this feeling the most, and I love you all. I guess there are some things that you just can't learn in college.

Dyke 1991: Brent Wertz
Dyke 1994: Joseph Back

Cpl 3; Color Sgt 2; Private 1; Rugby Team 3; Tennis Team 2; Professional Permit Writer [illegible]; Cadet Investment 1; Virgin RDC; Big-[illegible]rty in Barracks 2; Co-Founder TTT; [illegible]d 4,3,2,1; Summer Sch. Pres-S,4,3,2

Summer School 4,3,2,1; Dean's list 4,3,2,1; Ac Star 3,2,1; TTT Co-Founder 2; VMI Soccer 4,3; Cpl 3,Reg Color Sgt 2,Lt 1; JMU-895 3,2,1; Ring Figure Bash 92; Friends of Room 13o,114; S.Fuse Lifer

Regimental Band 4,3,2,1; CPL 3; SGT 2; LT/ Drum Major 1; Number 1 Club 2; Deans List 4,3,2,1; Academic Stars 1; Tau Beta Pi 2, President 1; ASCE President 2,1; Preston Slide Show 3,2,1

Christoffer B. Lagerholm
Chemistry / Special Student
"Chris, Grendel"

Time passes by quickly. Matriculation hardly seems like yesterday, at least right now. VMI has sucked at times however the fond memories are many. All those good times in the Science Building with Rockhead, Hickeboy, Rudy, Testes, Axel and Harold. Not to mention the ones in the room. Shogun, Goofy, Lurch and Harold, thank you. Many thanks to the Chemistry Department for all the support, as goes to everyone else who helped out. Crazy, without you I wouldn't have made it. Finally, to all my parents, american as well as swedish, you all got me through. I can't say that I am happy I came, however I can't say that I am sorry either. Skål.

Dyke 1991: Larry Murray
Dyke 1997: Jake Hickman

Missed AC stars by 2 pushups 4; AC stars 3,2,1; Science Building by night 3,2,1; Uppsala 1; Utah Saints 1; Raven & Crown Happy Hour 1

H. Wayne Lambert
Biology / Special Student
"Happy Schlong, Quayne"

VMI can be summed up in four words: eat beef/wear wool. It's a demanding place that tears you down and (hopefully) one day builds you up. Your BRs pull you through and make you show up each year for class. VMI has given me opportunities and sent me to Scotland, Hawaii, and Mardi Gras, so I can't complain. The friends I have made here are unreplaceable and true. I have had the best times of my life while at VMI...Ring Figure '94, corps trip rat year, Ro Browning and our talks in S. Shipp and at the drinking wall, Lagerholm visiting me at Scotland and the Utah Saints, Scottish basketball and women, Pina Colada Days, talks with Bucky, Hick-a-boy and the whirlpool, women, and just hanging out with the fellows. VMI has taught me the meaning of hard work and the art of having fun. I'll always be proud that I made it through this place, but I must thank my friends and BRs for their help in getting me to this point. I love you all and best of luck...cheers.

Dyke 1991: Chris Rule, Bucky Bridges
Dyke 1997: Jake Hickman

AC stars 4,3; Phi Kappa Phi 2,1; Private; VMI Band; VMI Glee Club; Univ. of Aberdeen Basketball Team 1; Institute Scholar 3,2,1; VMI Theater 3,2; Raven & Crown Happy 1; Scotland 1

Sgt.Mjr. Alvin N. Hockaday
Honorary Brother Rat

From my first meeting with the "Rat Mass" in J.M.Hall the night after "Hell Night," and seeing on the faces of so many scared young men the determination to help each other make it past the ratline, this first of many battlefields; will forever be a source of pride to me.

When you took the "Hill" and emerged red with mud, you were a source of pride to mebecause you left not one of your number on the battlefield.

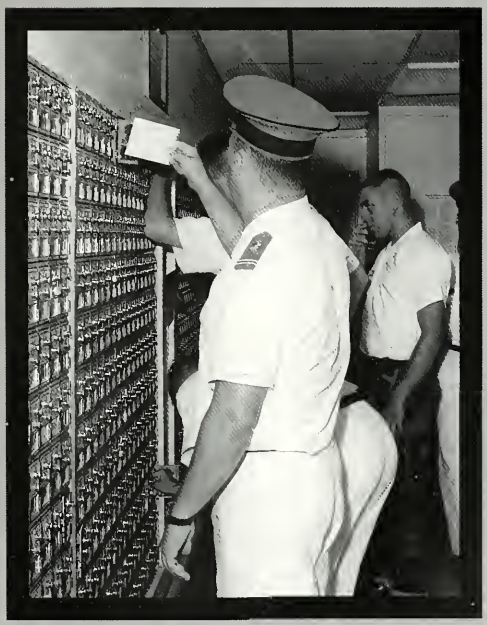
The lessons you learned as 3rds and 2nds were put into practice as you set high standards for the Corps to emulate during your final year. This too was a source of pride to me.

Class of '94, remember as you leave VMI ,YOU are not leaving VMI the same as you found it. You are leaving it better.

And for that my Honorary Brother Rats, YOU will always be a source of pride to me!

Dykes: VMI, Class of 1994

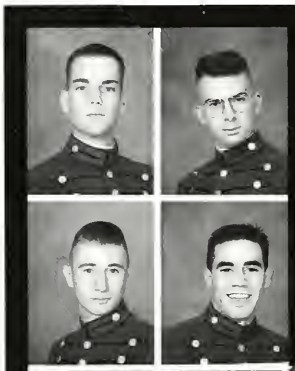
THE CLASS OF 1995



Almost the Best

Every Class has it's own unique fund raisers. This year however, the Class of 1995's Vice President, Mark Kincer, and Financial Committee Chairman Mark Hagan came up with a memorable fund raiser Intended as a lighthearted dig at the co-education court case, it was received in barracks warmly. As Mark Kincer is quoted as saying; "If it had been me featured in the picture I doubt it would have very popular." Once again, thanks to their unintended efforts, they have brought the Institute back to it's familiar place in the nation's media. While modest compared to the standard set by contemporary advertising, it has crossed the line of "Politically Correct" in it's attitude toward women. The Class of 1995 is delighted that it did so. And judging from the number of alumni and others who have called in from around the country to order one, it has provoked a reaction from those who have seen it; including noted political commentator and talk show host Rush Limbaugh. Mr Limbaugh dispatched a Federal Express van to procure his copy. Predictably, there were those who were less than pleased with our poster. Many feminists expressed anger and dismay that we would make this type of statement. However, if VMI were concerned about such points of view, would have to change our name to West Point South.

by Tim Collier



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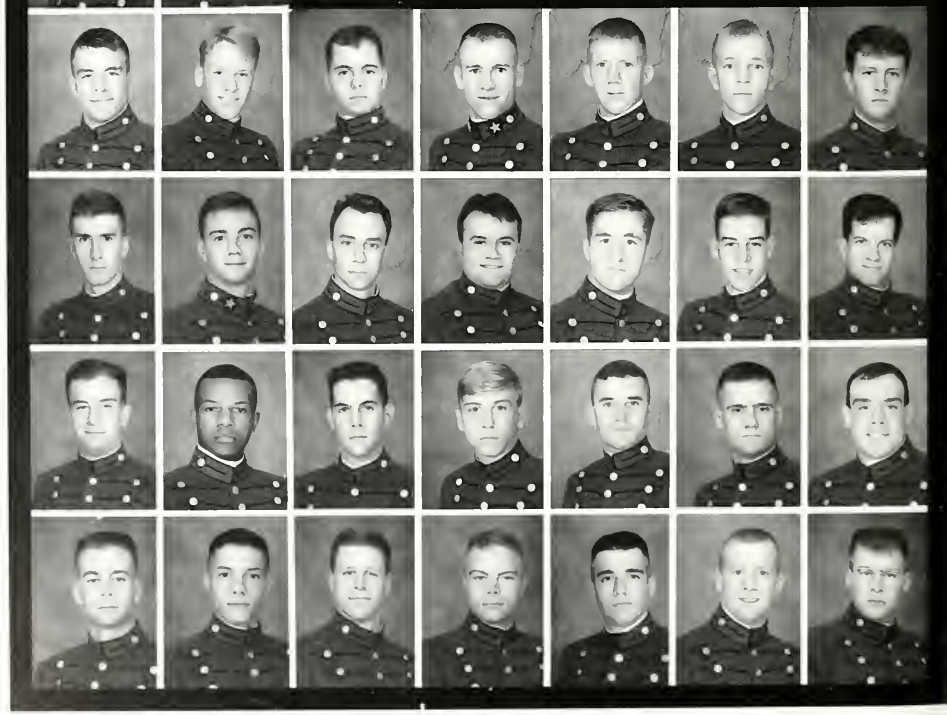
Bates, Fred



Bauserman, Erik
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Becker, Zachariah
Bernard, Michael
Bird, James
Blankenship, Michael
Blaylock, Rick

Blue, Brian
Blum, Geoffrey
Bogaty, Justin
Bosiger, Scott
Bouchard, Alexis
Bourne, Chadwick
Boyette, Edwin

Brashears, Thomas
Brooks, John
Bruno, Gavin
Byram, John
Burke, Sean
Burris, Larry
Burwell, Keith

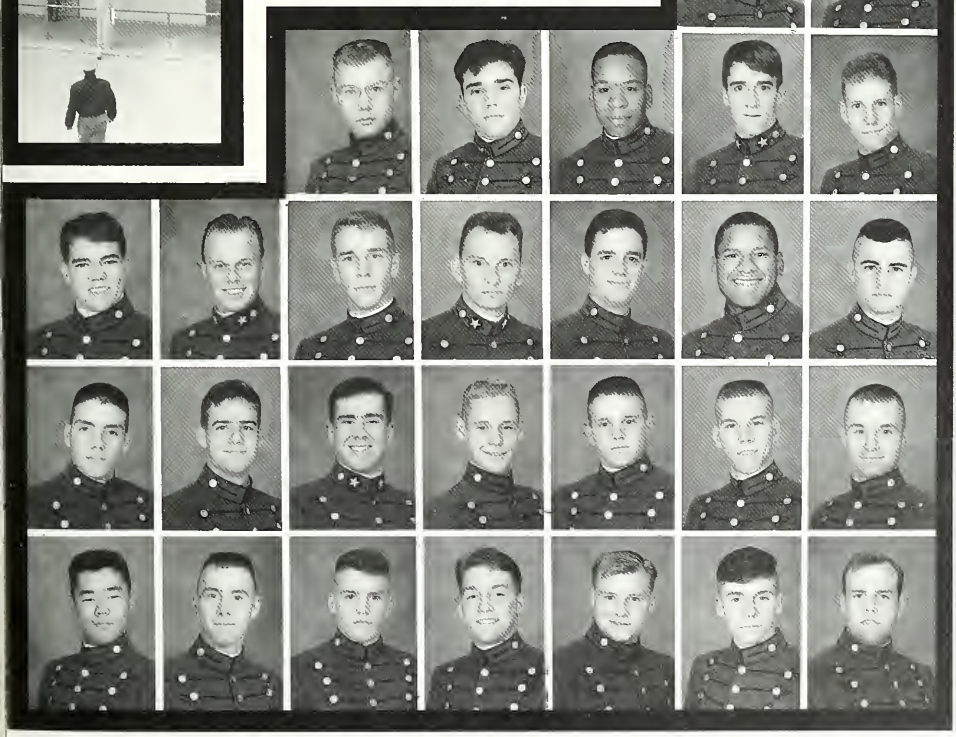
Buss, Aron
Cabrera, Elvin
Call, Joseph
Carlson, Jano
Castellano, Michael
Chambers, Todd
Chapman, Matthew

Class in Barracks

(Above) Drew Bissell, 2nd classman and yell leader helps cheer at a football game.

(Above) The Class of 1995 at attention for posterity. Virginia Military Institute at it's best.

(Left) Second Classmen take advantage of their right to drop rats for push ups. "Beat your face, Rat" has a certain attention getting element to it.



Cheng, Yung-Guang

Chojnacki, Steven
Christman, John

Christopher, William
Clark, Austin
Clarke, Kendall
Coleman, Bradley
Collier, Timothy

Consolvo, Edwin
Constable, Jolyon
Cornett, Brandon
Crothers, Brian
Craig, Jonathan
Davenport, Eric
Dean, Alan

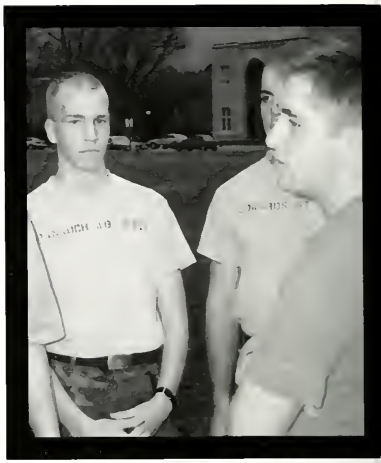
Dennis, Kirk
Desmond, Damian
Devlin, John
Doss, David
Doyle, Joseph
Dunford, Wade
Eger, William

Engel, Thomas
Feeney, Ryan
Fegley, Eric
Fellows, Michael
Ferriola, Jay
Firnbach, James
Fleck, David

As the story goes, the leaves will fall the snow will fall, the leaves will grow and it will rain again before the Rats will join the Corps. Soon, these cadets realize that that they have only qualified for the first test of their dedication. The best of these "qualified" Rats are given the first test, Corporal. It has little power, but the corpral is eager and he does not hesitate to exploit his stripes. More than anything, Corporal stripes teach third classmen about self-discipline. The lowly third-classman now has to learn to discipline himself so he may preform his job well and keep up with his academics. He is responsible for his squad of eight to ten men every dayand he may have the honor of training next year's rats as well. Class privelidges and freedom give him an opprotunity to get into trouble. Academics get harder and a proud handful of dorporals manage to dodge the pitfalls of GP and continue on the path to success.

The transition from corporal to sergeant is less traumatic . Three or four out of the nine corporals will be rewarded with a higher responsbility. These second classmen are responsible for training and molding the incoming Rats. They asked to use the leadership skills they have observed and been taught. The sergaent is also responsible for the corporals actions and discipline. Managing corporals is more challenging than getting a Rat to march in the same direction as the platoon. Hazing becomes a popular topic and this is a concern for a sergeant. A succesful sergeant must train his rats professionally and manage his own academics, military bearing and physical stamina. In perspective, a cadet goes through a different phase of disciplining every year. Rat year, a cadet is given discipline by the corporals and seargeants. Third class year, corporals are responsible for disciplining the Rats. Second class year, sergeants are responsible for disciplining both thirds and rats, recieving guidance from the first classmen. Rank builds on itself in this way and invetiblay makes a VMI man out of a Rat.

By Dan Williams



(Above) Sergeants not only inspected and flamed, but were able to offer encouragement, motivation and critique when necessary. Alex Bouchard renders such input to his Rats after Rat training.

(Right) Bravo Co. Sergeant of the Guard Rick Blaylock takes it easy. Not all guard team members were anxious to go hunting for bones.

Fontanilla, Richard
Franco, Alfredo
Fravel, Linden
Fulk, Mark
Fuller, Christopher
Gambrill, Richard
Garnett, William

Glasser, Todd
Glover, Jack
Godby, Jeffrey
Goff, Geoffrey
Goodrich, William
Gorospe, Mannoel
Gosline, Edward

Gowland, Scott
Griffin, David
Griffin, Ryan
Griles, Daniel
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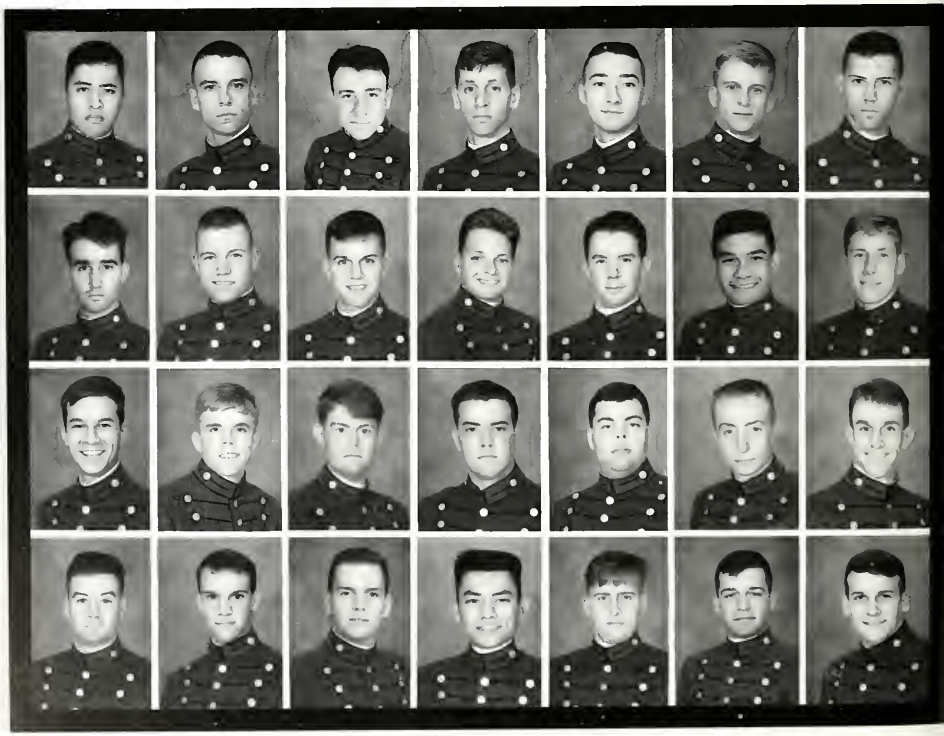


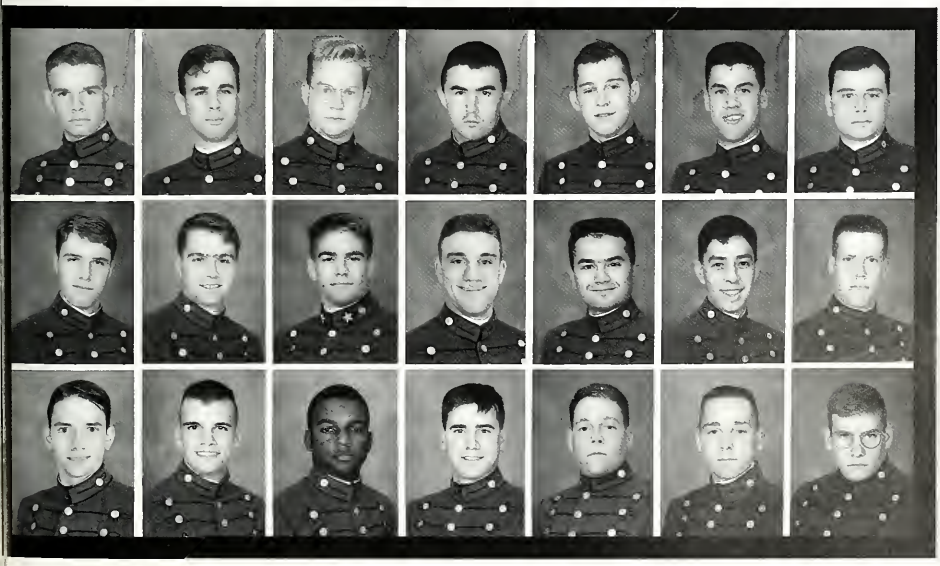
From Corporal to Sergeant....

What is Next ?

(Above Left) Anxious for the scrumptuous feast that awaits in the mess hall, this company marches to chow.

(Above) Brian Kellner tries unsuccessfully to control the rats while serving the Institute as Sargeant of the Guard.

(Left) Having enjoyed every exhilirating second, the color guard and band march to Barracks after a parade.



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Holden, James
Hopkins, John
Hoskins, Christopher
Hoskins, Thomas
Howland, John

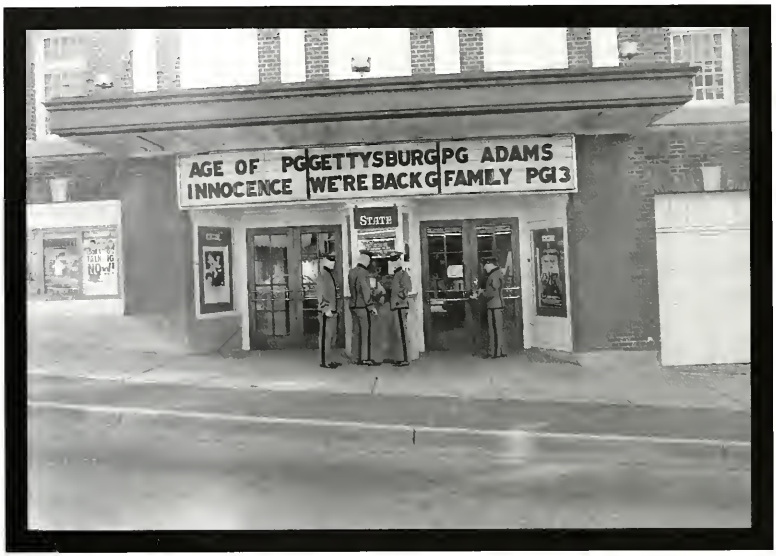
Ikenberry, Marlin
Ikenberry, Merlin
Ingram, Jeremy
Jaklitsch, Raymond
Jambor, Kenneth
Jaso, Anthony
Jewell, Scott

Johnson, Andrew
Johnson, Michael
Johnson, William
Jones, Jeffrey
Joyner, James
Kellner, Brian
Killmeyer, Frederick

(Right) Excuse me Sir? Why, these are merely refreshing cups of Coca-Cola, and we would never think of adding anything to it. As if Todd Glasser and Fred Werth think they are are fooling anyone.

(Below Right) 2nd Class Bravo cadets Paxton, Teritehau, Secrist, Fegley, Joyner and Blaylock enjoy a good time at a home VMI football game.

(Below) The major motion picture Gettysburg comes to town. Cadets were invited to a private afternoon showing. Some cadets, including Kevin Hershberger who lent technical support, were included in the cast.



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Kim, Yong
Kincer, Mark
Kraft, August
Krempl, Matthew
Lacy, Mark
Lawson, Samuel

Ledford, Michael
Lee, Doopyo
Lee, Sae Han
Lowe, James
Lu, Jing-Long
Lucas, Shannon
Lucente, Dennis

Mack, Andrew
Mallory, Stuart
Matthews, Brett
Mattocks, Eric
Maurer, Adam
Meade, Quincy
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Migliacci, Hector
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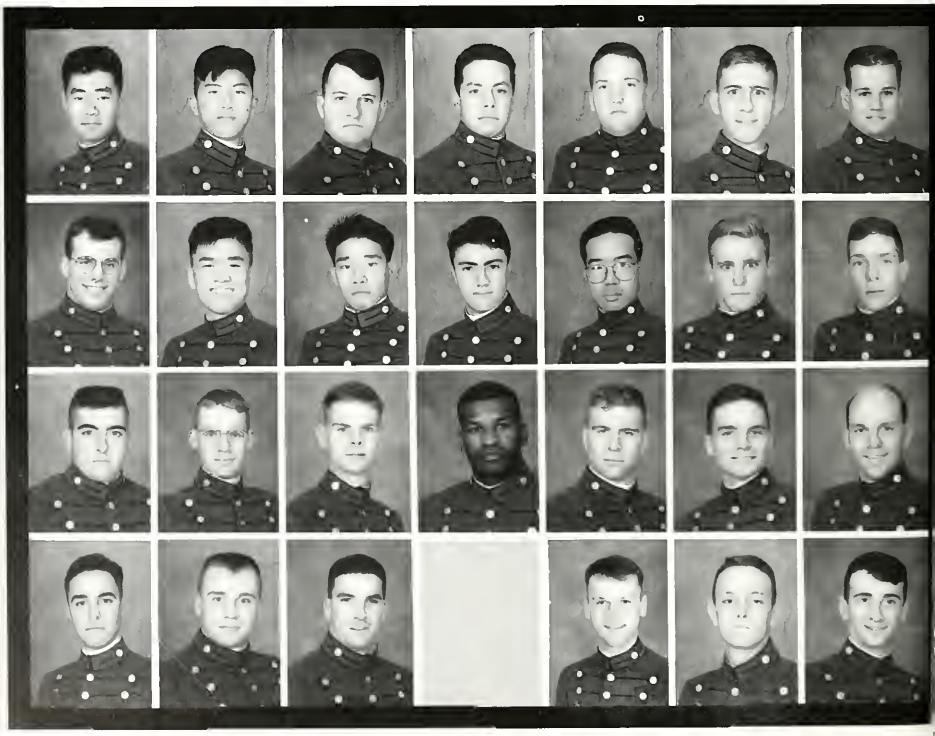
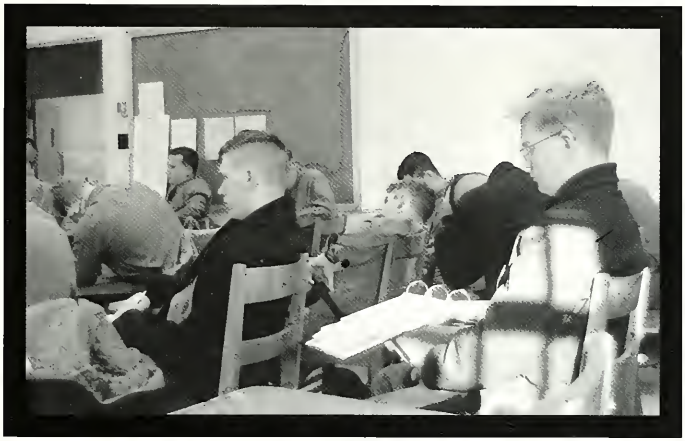


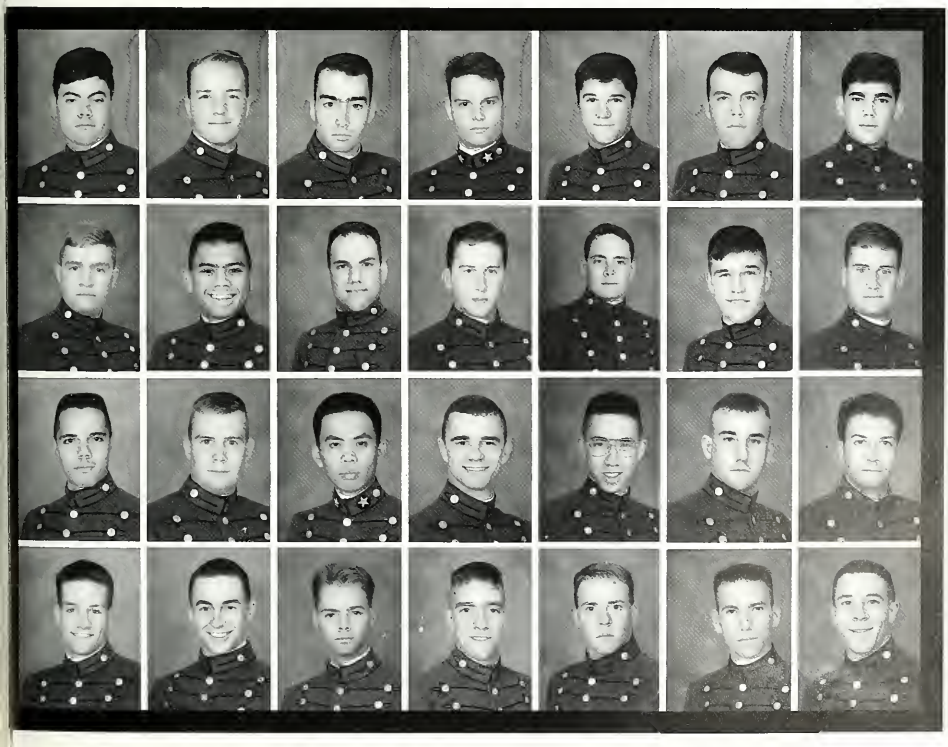


Above) 2nd Class cadets Call, Averett, and Matthews how pride in VMI's Southern tradition by displaying the lag that flew over Post during the Battle of New Market.

Above Center) Combining the dazzle of Scott Joplin and he attire of Napoleon, Hector Migliacci jams in J.M. Hall

Above Right) Tony Jaso, spotted here making public his ins at the ever popular Bonesheet. Can I find an alumni?

Right) What happens when you mix cadets, a long fternoon, and a lecture? "Objects of honest pride to their nstructors!



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Paxton, Jonathan
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Percival, William
Pifer, Jason

Pinilla, Jose
Pitchford, Richard
Ponlawan,
Pradermchai
Price, Kevin
Ragosta, Ralph
Rainwater, Michael
Randall, Edward

Reardon, Kevin
Reiner, Matthew
Rex, Charles
Richards, Arie
Richie, Brian
Rubino, Justin
Rupright, Todd

The Chosen Few.... Second Class Honor Court

Our Brother Rats have elected us for our judgement and ability to keep an open mind. Second Class members primarily serve as assistant prosecutors for the Court. Our job is aid the prosecutors during investigations as well as several functions such as filing guard team packets consisting of pink slips, section slips, confinement sheets and other materials. We have late nights and long days that often seem unbeatable when integrated with the general havoc of a "normal" VMI schedule. Our support is gladly given, and th six of us are very understanding of each others burdens and are quick to lend a hand to one anothe whenever possible. Roommates are of the utmost importance to an assistant prosecutors, for withou them it is likely we would not sleep at all. They are there for us constantly and eager to help when w are bogged down. Although we often keep our roommates up into the early morning hours, H.C roommates have remained constantly helpful and understanding. They contribute a large part of th service we are able to render to the Corps and Class. Under the close direction of the First Class Hono Court members we are learning and training for the awesome responsibility of leading the Court in it service to the Corps of Cadet in the following year. To u also falls the responsibility c training next year's Secon Class Representatives, thu carrying on the legacy of se vice.

by **Joe Musso**

(Left) On confinement again, Lee Oppenheim makes sure no mistakes are on his confinement sheets, and that he was allright for each check. A daily, boring, ritual for those men unlucky enough to be on confinement.

Russell, Matthew
Ryan, Jeffery
Saiklao, Wichit
Schenk, Joseph
Schwartz, Eric
Scott, Zack
Secrist, Derek

Sieu, Nithya
Southall, Darren
Stankovich, Alan
Stann, John
Steele, Robert
Sucic, Ante
Swineford, Sean

Swoboda, Kurt
Taliaferro, William
Tash, Bryan
Taylor, Geoffrey
Teritehau, Tony
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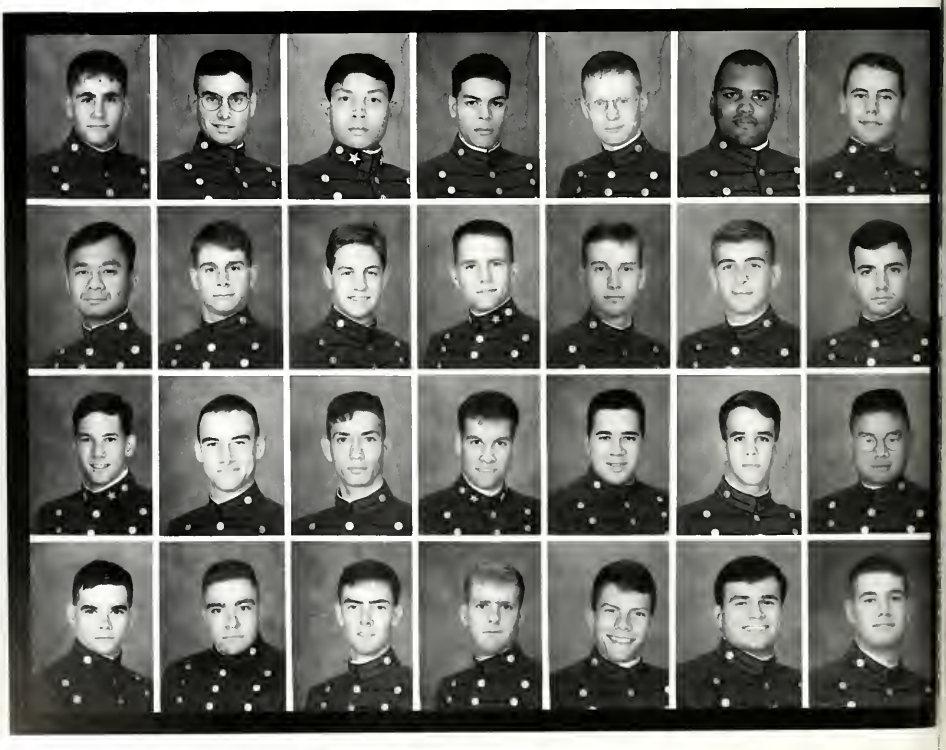

bove) The stick is about to run; Are you all right ? Kipp Averett and Todd Glasser e snre that the are. Every Cadet is responsible for his status at all times, relying on his personal honor to admit when he is not "all right".

Who gets this bone? Jeff Ryan checks his sign in sheet

bove) Anthony A. Meador, William L Taliferro , Brian C. Blue, Joseph T. Musso, Jolyon R. Constable, Aleander A. raft- The Seeond Class Honor Court Representatives

(Above Right) No, Brian is not in, he's sleeping, eating, studying, in other words stop by later. H. C. roomates have to be more paitent thn most other roommates do, as Tony Jaso and Jake Ledford know.

Webster, Curtis
Werth,Fred
West, Samuel
Williams, Brian
Williams, Dan
Williams, Tim
Wills, Chris

Winterle, Garth
Womble, Mark
Woolcott, Tony
Wright, Greg
Wright, Jeffrey
Wysong, Mark
Yeatts, Chris

Some Cadet's Summers

(Left) Navy Cadet Justin Rubino poses for a photo before firing the M203 grenade launcher at Camp Pendleton, CA.

(Above Left) Gas masks are cool . . . Kirk Dennis sends greetings from Army ROTC Basic Camp.

(Below) Jim Harbuck, Nithya Sieu, Jeff Ryan, Fred Aldridge, Kipp Averett, Ed Boyette, Tim Miller, Gavin Brumo, and Brian Crothers take a moment before heading to formation at Air Force Cadet Camp.

After a long, stressful third class year, when the so- called academic ratline is over, when our "s**t eating" days are over, the Class of 1995 finally got to see Barracks in the proper perspective. In the rearview mirror, of course. For some of we would be back all to soon. Summer Session beckoned, and that meant only a week or two of bliss until a return to Post. Even at summer school here, life was substantially better than the regular year. Many others sought to further educations in any number of other colleges. Not surprisingly, schools located in choice climes next to beaches were perennial favorites. However, for others, summer meant a serious change of pace from the grind of VMI's year. Even so, most found their way to the very essence of summer, the beach. Nothing relaxes over the summer like sun, sand women, and cold beer.

For some, school continued over the summer, but in a much more interesting way. Cadets found their way to exotic spots such as Spain, Germany and Oxford, England. VMI's active foreign exchange program gave many the opportunity to see cultures, places and people that one might never have seen previously. Foreign languages teachers stress travel for the benefits yielded in language skills.

Almost every contracted ROTC cadet attended summer training with their chosen service. Navy cadets went on cruise seeing the Fleet, Aviation, and Submarines. Marine cadets attended the first part of the grueling Platoon Leaders Course. Army cadets attended the Airborne, Air Assault School, Mountain Warfare, and Northern Warfare courses. Air Force cadets attended camp, the vast majority journeying to Air Force Bases in the South West at bases. such as Lackland and Fairchild AFB.

Those who stayed home undoubtedly enjoyed the comforts of normal life and relaxation. Most found jobs and earned money for Ring Figure and the oncoming year. Of course, there were many times to get together and bar hop, or just relax. But too soon it became time to return to the "I", and begin the Second Class year.

by Tim Collier

(Above) Navy Cadets Samuel West and Lloyd Taliferro with two Midshipman from other colleges atop the sail of a SSN in the Atlantic Ocean. Excursions such as this were common for cadets out on cruise. And no, Sam and Lloyd did not return in the fall back to VMI glowing in the dark.

(Above) On a different sort of night maneuver, Tim Collier '95 and Andy Collier '91 enjoy a squadron party in Pensacola, Florida, the cradle of Naval Avaition.

Are Better Than Others

Left) During maneuvers with the German Army, John Stann takes time ut for a beer and a smile.

(Above) This Marine cadet inspects this UH-1N helicopter before conducting a heliborne excercise. Realistic training was stressed, to give the potential Marine Officer an accurate look at the service.

(Above) Organized by John Byram despite a lack of help from the Commandants Office, The Virginia Military Institute color guard marched to a Best New Unit citation in the city of Fairfax 4th of July parade. Even Privates can shine up and march with the best of them, as no member of this Guard serves as a color bearer in the Corps.

Training Young Minds

(Above) Elvin Cabrera, Regimental S-1 Sergeant, offers some helpful and sensitive insight to this clearly wayward and undisciplined Rat. The Rat, clearly responding to Mr. Cabrera's advice, helps himself to a motivating set of push-ups.

(Above) This Rat has the pleasure of Mark Wysong's company during matriculation process. In addition to national level wrestling, Mark found the RDC to be a stimulating pursuit.

The Second Class plays a large role in the shaping of each new class. In addition to guiding the Third Class Corporals and conducting Rat training, the Second Class presents it's own challenges to the Rats. The is the first year when the Seconds are positions of responsiblilty over Rats. Serving on the Rat Diseiplinary Committe, Honor Court, Company, Battalion, and Regimental Staffs, there were many opprotunities to make an impression, correct, and discipline and genarally flame. On a lighter note, Seconds chose Rats to serve as Ringrats. This arrangement gave the Second charge of a Rat during the Ring Figure celebration. It also gave the Rats a handy excuse to party, relax and get acquainted better with the future First Class.

By **Tim Collier**

(Above) Company Master Sergeants and Operations Sergeants are always on hand for training and disciplining Rats. Op. Sergeants tended to spend more time teaching and gradin,g, while Master Sergeants were more discipliniary.

(Above Left) Sally Port, a Second and a Rat used to be a reciepe for disaster and extreme flaming. However, this years addition of a 10-2-20 penalty for flaming led to a serious decrease in the quality of the Ratline. Regardless, Pete Fravel still took an interest in this Rat's defecient appearance.

(Above) Charlie Branch reaches out and touches someone. All social life at V.M.I. begins with a phone call because there is very little to do on Post that is fun.

Life Within the Four Walls

(Above) If you are not marching, you are cleaning something, as Alex Bouchard and Sae Han Lee can attest.

(Left) During Exams, few things satisfy like a late night snack provided by Crozet Hall. Exam snacks created better cadet opinions of the sometimes lacking messhall food.

(Below) Sid Michtner discusses the inns and outs of biking with Charles Stanley, head of the V.M.I. Cycling Club and a sponsored mountain bike racer.

(Below) Although no one was sacrificed or burnt at the stake, this Pep Rally, like others proved to be a welcome break in the weekly schedule.

Officers of the Class Of 1995

Class President
Edward Randall IV

Vice President
Mark Allen Kincer

Historian
Shannon-Mikal Lucas

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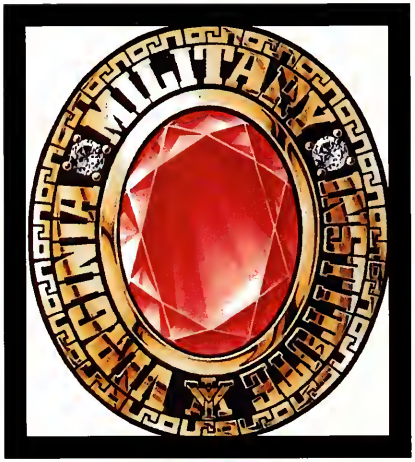
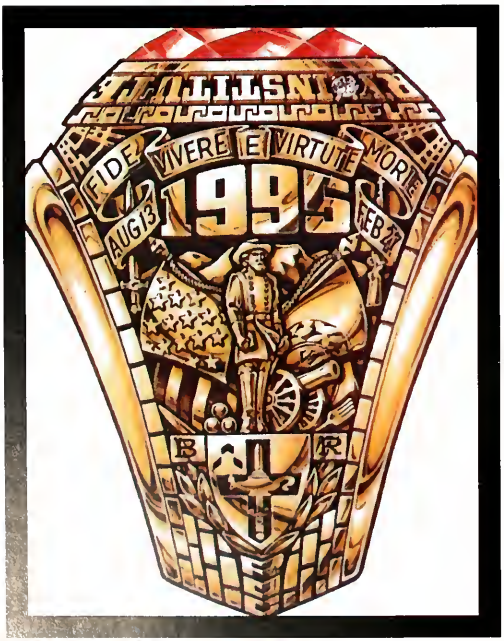
Ring Figure Chairman
Sean Joseph Burke

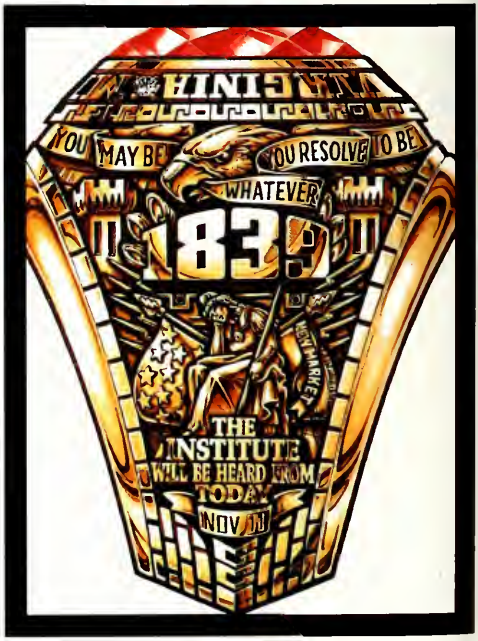
Third Class Finance Committee
Mark Downey Hagan

Ring Design
Thomas Alan Dean



Throughout our more than 150 years of excellence, the Virginia Military Institute has prided itself upon it's illustrious traditions. Since 1928, Cadets have celebrated the recieving of their Class Ring as a Formal Ball and Ceremony. Over the years, small changes have occurred. Since 1966, the members of the second class escort their dates through a replica of their class ring and position themselves in designated areas on the dance floor in order to form their class figure, the numerals of 95. This ceremony marks the Class of 1995's entry into the Brotherhood of the Ring. Following these proceedings, the Class will immediately commence to throw the largest celebration in the history of VMI, if not the state.





RING FIGURE 1995

Massive Tent Party With 3 Bands! Zollimans Pig Roast!

The Class OF 1995 on the Loose! The Complete Story!

PREPARATION

(Above) The 1995 Ring Figure Planning Committee. Front left: Brian Kellner, Scott Bosiger, Sean Burke, Jeff Lord, Alan Dean, Ray Jaklitsch, Wade Dunford. Back Left: Tim Collier, Lee Grimes, Mark Womble, Rick Killmeyer, Dennis Lucente, Eddie Glover, Larry Burris, Drew Warren, Dan Williams. Together, they gave the class of 1995 the best Ring Figure imagineable.

(Left) J.B. Call and Dennis Lucente showed us the inns and outs of waltzing

(Bottom Right) Taking a breather during the rock painting, Brad Moses looks forward to finishing up, sleeping, and cold beer during Ring Figure.

(Bottom Left) Keeping track of preerations meant attending endless meetings throught the fall to make sure everything progressed smoothly.

(Above) Sean Burke's direction and energy kept Ring Figure on track. However, not all the energy in the world could retain Kelsey Haydon's attention.

(Above) Mark Womble, Drew Bissel, Mark Lacy, Christian Hartwell, Brett Badgett and Jack Baker prepare to tackle the rock again. They were not the only guys. The few, The proud!

(Right) At long last, the Rock is completed. All the Brother Rats that labored to do it can now scrub off the paint. And the motorists on 81 know that there is something brewing at VMI.

(Above) Whoever said decorating Cocke Hall was boring? Just ask Garth Winterle, about to go over the railing.

(Above) The rehersals were a boring, but necessary and encouraging sign of approaching Ring Figure.

Since our beginning days at the Institute, we heard the glorious stories of Ring Figure. We were spellbound by those two days of military and social functions all built around a symbol that has distinguished VMI men for over 150 years. Now, Second Class year came around and it was our turn to play a major role in the festivities.

My story begins about two months before Ring Figure when Ed Randall and Mark Hagan asked me to be Ring Figure Chairman. With my outstanding academic performance, this should have been the last thing I should be doing. After pondering the task for a while and overcoming the initial fear of the work load, I accepted. Maybe I should have caught the subtle chuckle that escaped their mouths as I accepted as a sign of what was to come; however, that initial fear turned into a nightmare once they dumped all the paper work on my desk.

Without boring the reader with the step by step plan that we made for the celebration, I first seeked help. I tried to pick Brother Rats that I knew could handle each of the tasks necessary quickly and efficiently. It was tough, but in the end, I had twenty men who were quick, efficient and streetsmart. For the next two months, we met three times a week making sure all was well. My story begins and ends with the Ring Committee because these men made Ring Figure what it was. Another person I would like to sincerely thank is Mark Hagan. Without his managment, we never have been the only class in history that did not go into debt after Ring Figure. Along with Mark Hagan I would like to thank the men who actually did the dirty work. You all know who you are. Looking back, the hard work was well worth the great time we had as a class during those two days. I would just like to thank Col. Jones for his help as Ring Figure Coordinator. If I have learned one thing from this ordeal, it is to be more conscious of people that subtly chuckle to themselves.

by **Sean Burke**

(Above) Ryan Griffin and a Brother Rat practice the Waltz one last time.

(Below) Left: John Mayo, Spike Johnson, Jeffrey Cross, Marcus Latimer, and Lakei Evans all glory in the moment of the Ring.

(Top Right) We've been standing in this courtyard long enough! Jeff Godby and Christian Hartwell excitedly anticipate the events to come.

(Above) Dan Williams pauses before commencing a most momentous occasion in our Cadetships- Ring Figure.

(Bottom) Until the day we die these rings will be around our fingers. All the same, but each to it's owners wishes.

Cadets And

Randolph T. Agee, II
Miss Kelly Wells

John J. Ambler
Miss Suzanne Bruce

Christian M. Averett
Miss Jennifer P. Bowling

Brett S. Badgett
Miss Kari Cakerice

John L. Baker
Miss Melissa Simpson

Gary T. Bailey
Miss Lee Hubbard

Christopher E. Barkocy
Miss Karen Mickley

Richard J. Barnett
Miss Becky Meacham

Not only is Ring Figure a time of celebration for the class, it marks a major turning point in development of the class. In the course of our preparations, we learned about the Douglas Carter France III award. As a class, we show our appreciation to one of our number who made an impact on us all.

Just what is the Douglas Carter France III award? Established by the VMI Class of 1971,it was intended to honor Douglas France, a memberof '71. He was extremely active in planning his classes Ring Figure, but died tragically in an auto accident during the summer of 1969. His Brother Rats, wishing to commemorate his memory, established The Douglas Carter France, III '71 Memorial Award on 9 September 1969. The Award is given to the cadet of each class who best personifies the "excellence of character and selflessness toward his fellow cadets" demonstrated by Douglas Carter France. The Award is to be presented by the Superintendent at the Ring Presentation Ceremony. It consists of an inscription of the award on the recipient's ring and the year's interest on the Memorial Award Fund.

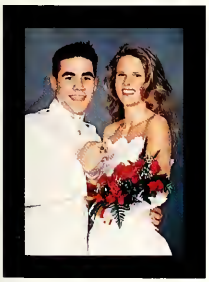
This year's recipient is Mark Downey Hagan, the Third Class Fiance Committee Chairman. Mark has served us all beyond the call of duty since his appointment shortly after Breakout. His efforts, fund raisers, and endless record keeping has directly contributed to the well being of the Class. Mark's efforts have provided us with a Ring Figure that for the first time in several years that was under budget. The Memorial Award's faculty advisor Prof. Thomas W. Davis calls the Award "one of the highest honors a class can bestow on one of it's members". The Class of 1995 certainly has to agree with that description, and offers it's congratulations to Mark Hagan.

by Tim Collier

(Above) Mark Doney Hagan, the 1995 Douglas Carter France Memorial Award winner.

(Left) Jeremy Ingram, Ken Jambor, Tony Jaso, Scott Jewell, John Craig, and Ray Jaklitsch are more than ready to begin Ring Figure. After all, they've only waited two and a half years for it.

Their Ladies



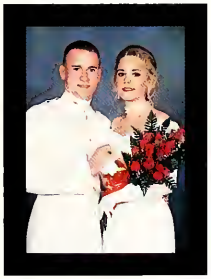
Fred E. Bates
Miss Ann Crowell

Erik N. Bauserman
Miss Roberta Roberts

Charles E. Bayless
Miss Julie Hildebrand

(Right) The dream combination- one large gold ring, one set of kissable lips, and the next two days to celebrate.

Zachariah M. Becker
Miss Patricia Hale



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Miss Tera Oltmanns

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Miss Misty Trinitt

Drew A. Bissell
Miss Leslie Fitzgerald

Michael C. Blankenship
Miss Leslie Fitzgerald

Ricky E. Blaylock
Miss Linda Hoeffer

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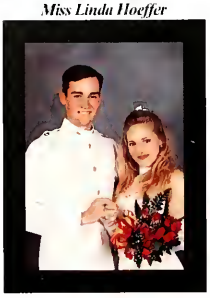

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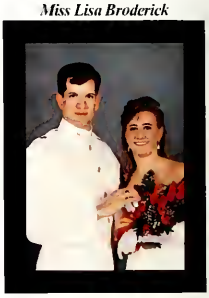

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Miss Jamaica Edge

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Miss Ginger Harvey

John M. Brooks
Miss Nicole Hunt

Christian L. Brumm
Miss Maxalia Gleason

Gavin A. Bruno
Miss Jessica Meserve

Sean J. Burke
Miss Julie Townsend

Larry Q. Burris
Miss Carol Biggs

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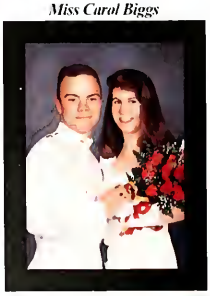

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Miss Maggie Murray

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Miss Terezia Rauch

Matthew S. Chapman
Miss Leslie Chandler

Simon Y. Cheng
Miss Jessie Zhang

Steven A. Chojnacki
Miss Amanda Barr

John A. Christman
Miss Christine Hadermeyer

William L. Christopher
Miss Heather Green

John A. Citizen
Miss Keavy Davis

Austin L. Clarke
Miss Courtney Myers

Kendall J. Clarke
Miss Christal James

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Timothy E. Collier
Miss Rebecca Fifield

Edwin R. Consolvo
Miss Georgia Peterfeso

Todd L. Cook
Miss Beth Harris

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Miss Tricia Prillaman

Jonathan R. Craig
Miss Sara Selby

Brian J. Crothers
Miss Megan Head

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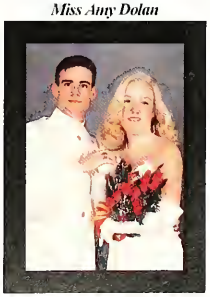

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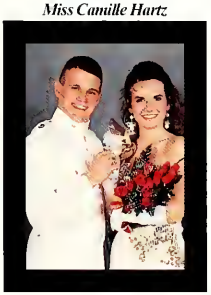

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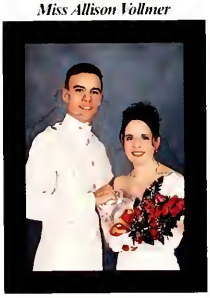

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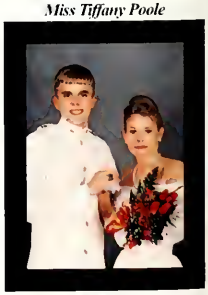

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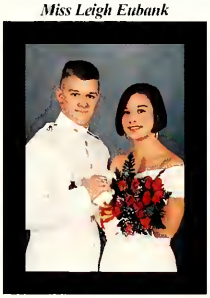

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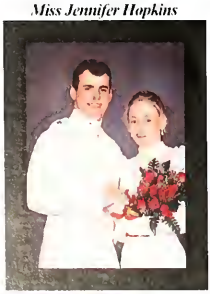

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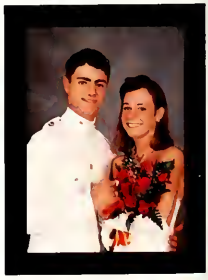

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Walter V. Thornton
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David B. Tillar
Miss Linda Romasz

Brian C. Turnage
Miss Rachael Anderson

Flavius M. Tyson III
Miss Bridgette Hennaman

Brian V. Ucciardi
Miss Trisha Barker

Andrew B. Warren
Miss Amy Sprouse

Curtis E. Webster
Miss Alysen Dunleavy

Frederick M. Werth III
Miss Diane Holeton

Samuel S. West
Miss Bridget O'Connell

(Above) Delta Rats lend several hands to Brian Blue during the latter, more intoxicated stages of the Ring Figure Hop.

(Right) Roomates with Rings, are there any other people around to celebrate with?

(Below Right) Our only legally married Brother Rat waltzes with his wife.

(Below) How happy can you possibly get? Ed Boyette leaves no doubt.

(Left) I can't wait for BRs Wright and Young to get out here so we can start dancing, Aaron Bus seems to be thinking as he waits in the Figure.

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Daniel S. Williams
Miss Christina Boone

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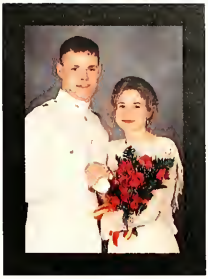

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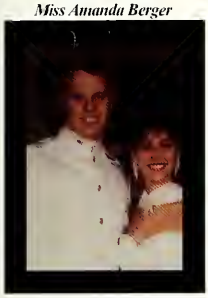

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Miss Amber Mills

Mark G. Womble
Miss Amy Powell

Anthony P. Woolcott
Miss Michele Lastovica

Gregory R. Wright
Miss Mary Wilson

Jeffrey L. Wright
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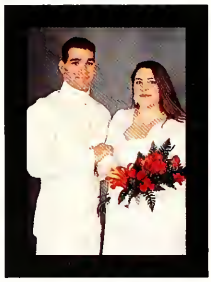
Above) Mike Paruti, Quincy Meade, Frankie Haltom Elvin Cabrera and Jose Cabrera pose in front of the Ring.



Mark E. Wysong
Miss Diane Wysong

Christopher G. Yeatts
Miss Courtney Kernodle

Michael T. Young
Miss Elizabeth Cox

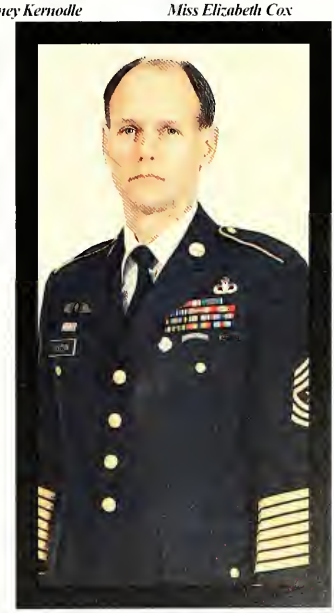
Among the many traditions that the Class of 1995 has continued has been in choosing an Honorary Brother Rat from the faculty and staff at VMI. The choice is up to the class, and it involves the Honorary Brother Rat joining Breakout. Such were the thoughts of a certain Rat who one day in early February asked his Military Science instructor to break out. Sure, replied the then relatively naive instructor, not quite sure what he had gotten into. However, SGM William A. Goodson III soon learned what he was in for.

Not that he should have been worried. SGM. Goodson, although new to VMI, was certainly no stranger to demanding experiences. He joined the Army in July 1972 and has held almost every position in a variety of Special Forces andiving detachments. He has worked with Australian SAS, West German Kampfschwimmers, and pioneered exiting out of submarines for Special Forces. Some of the schools he has graduated from include Ranger School, Combat Dive and Superviser School, and Sniper School. He has visited 33 countries, has been deployed to Turkey for six weeks and Lebanon for six months and has appeared in Sports Illustrated and the Discovery Channel. Here at VMI, SGM Goodson teaches the Rat MS classes, coaches the Ranger Challenge Team and is the Battalion's Sergeant Major.

When approached by Mark Kincer, the Class f 1995's V.P. about participating in Ring Figure '95, SGM Goodson was overwhelmed. He participated in every aspect of the ceremonies. The Class of 1995 could do no less for a Brother Rat. We are all honored to include him as our BR, and had a great time partying with him.

Although SGM Goodson is looking toward the end of his career in the Army, he's expressed tentative plans to remain in the Lexington area and hopes to continue working with Cadets. As he stated in his letter to the class, SGM Goodson is "truly honored to be included in the Class of 1995 and will do all in my power to upholds the traditions of VMI".

by Tim Collier



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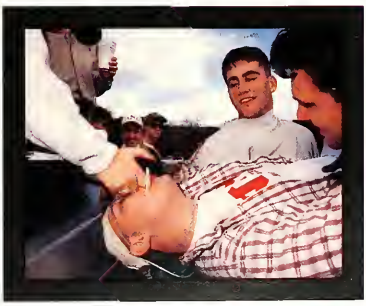

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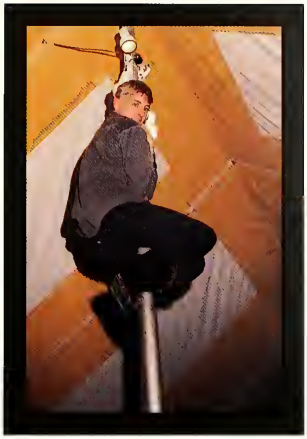
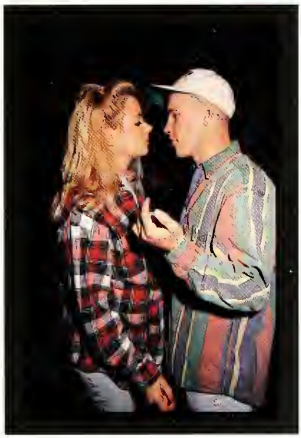
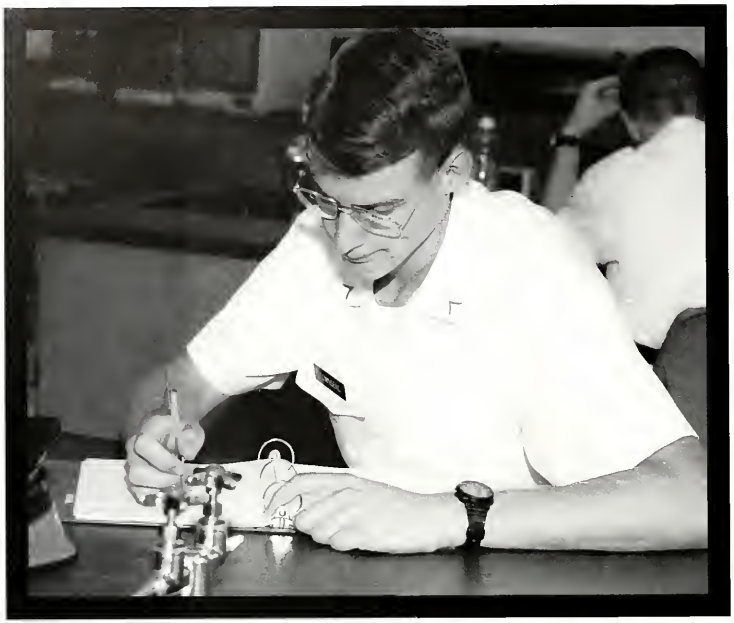




THE CLASS OF 1996

It may be true that the first class rules barracks, but they are a lot more used to it than the third class. Perhaps this is why our heads are a little higher, our voices are a little stronger on the stoops, and our motivation is a little greater. As a class, we may not have all the power in the world, and we are willing to admit it. But the difference between the fear of the rat line, and the prestige of the third class year is so different in the minds of every third classmen that we can do nothing but hold our heads a little higher. What prestige would we be talking about? The stripes on our arms make us different from those above us and definitely better than those below us. We are set aside, and our stripes are lower on our arms, but we take pride in taking accountability, doing rifle checks, going to BRC every morning, and all of our other responsibilities. Those same corporals who yelled at us last year, laugh at us yelling at rats this year. We are regimental color corporals and we are honor guards at ring figure. We are rat challenge corporals. We are trainers and flamers, full-time students and Sally Port geeks. We are planning ahead for the future, looking to get our rings, and we can't help but tell rat line stories. It was so different last year, we say, just like the thirds before us. We follow in a long line of tradition. So as we are called the scum of the corps by rats, made fun of by the first class, and picking our hays up out of the courtyard, we still remember we are a class. No longer a writhing, squirming mass, but a class. Perhaps only the third class, but we are dealing with it and it only gets better.

Third Class Officers (from left): John Buchanan - Vice President, Lawson Faure - President, Stewart Holt - Historian



(Above): Like everyone else in his third class year, Mark Townsend hits the books long and hard.

The Academic Ratline

With the rigors of the ratline behind us, a whole new challenge stood before us - the academic ratline. Third class year's academics were a time for us to buckle down. For most it was a rude awakening to the real reason we are at VMI, our education.

Late nights, fighting sleep in class, and that hopeless feeling of endless assignments and tests were commonplace for all of us. Every major had its unique demands; classes like Organic Chemistry, Statics, Physics, and a host of others confronted all of us. Low GPA's depressed many of us, but, just like last year, we held together and pressed on toward our "Academic Breakout".

by Anthony Gray

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Bahen, Matthew P.

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Barr, Lawrence S.
Bartosic, James E.
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Benkin, Brian W.
Blackburn, Timothy

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Botterill, Jason R.
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Bradford, Jeffrey E.

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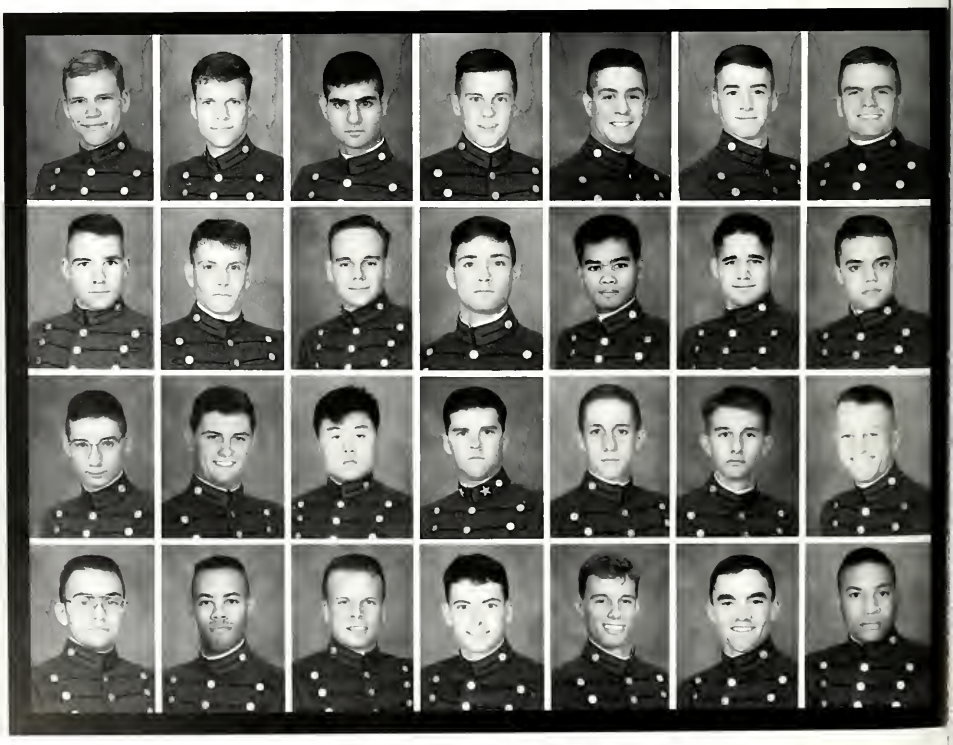

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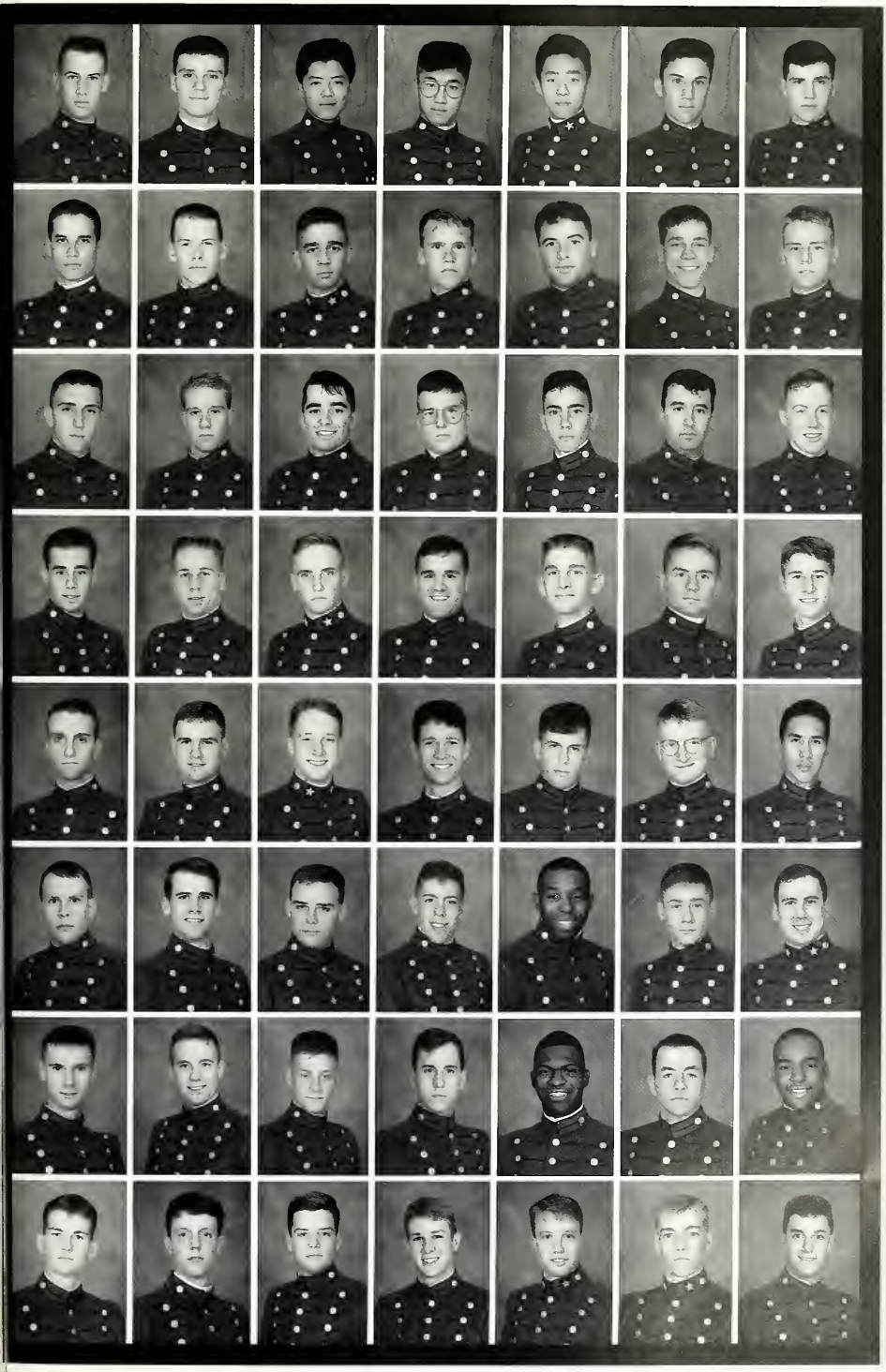

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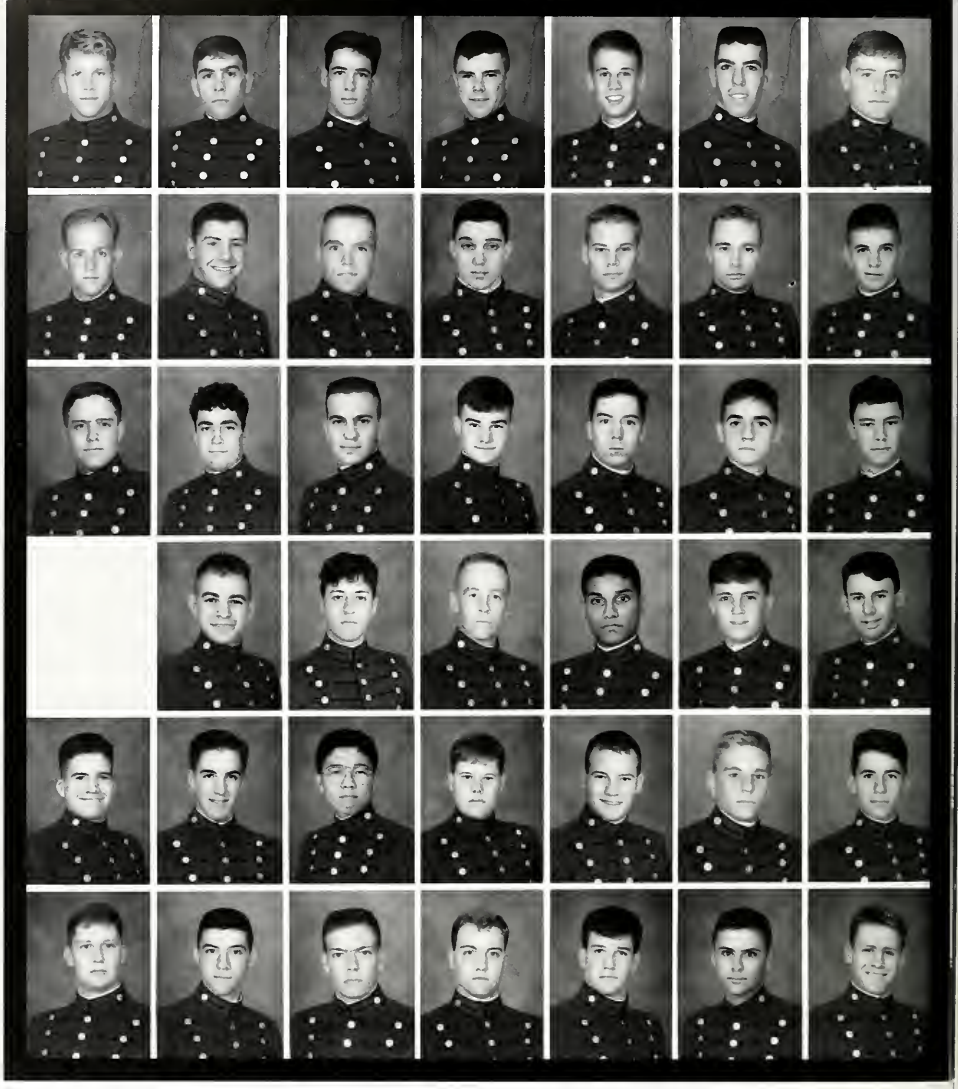

SERVING TIME AT VMI

by Max Castelyn

Since our beloved institute is governed by rules, punishment must be given to rule breakers. As rats, a cadet can "rack up" many penalty tours and rat tours. But as rats it is easier to get around a large penalty for a wrong doing. This year as thirds it was real easy to find one's self at the "I" on weekends due to confinement. This is partly due to the fact that, traditionally, no one likes the third class. This year we found ways to get rid of these PT's quickly through the marching of penalty tours and PT details. This endless array of working to free one's self from PT captivity supposedly leads to an upstanding cadet who obeys all institute regulations. Many cadets will tell you, though, that confinement and penalty tours breeds more confinement and penalty tours.

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Marlow, David B.
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Marting, Darien T.
Mason, Carlton M.

Mattoso, Ricky
Maydian, Darren T
McCallum, Chris
McCarthy, Ryan D.
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McCoy, Kenneth L.
McElron, John

McFadden, Michael S.
McGuire, Russel
McMurray, Sean A.
Mears, Kenneth T.
Meier, Kristen K.
Mickiewicz, Aaron, R.
Mickiewicz, Josheph

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Noe, Christopher D.
Nolan, Samuel H.

O'Connor, Ryan P.
Oakey, Christopher K.
Obadal, Michael A.
Ogburn, Jonathan P.
Olson, Joshua J.
Orr, Richard A.
Osborne, Larry C.

(Left): This unfortunate Third Classmen signs out to leave barracks while on what seems to many to be a endless term of confinment.

WEEKENDS

By Chris Noe

As third classmen we were able to experience something relatively new to us: the weekend. Yes, as fourth classmen we had a few chances to leave the "beloved" Institute. However, many of our class did not leave much last year. This year was a whole new ballgame. Many of us decided that when the weekend rolled around it was our new found "duty" to leave the 'I'. Some of us left on Fridays and went to Baldwin, Hollins, Sem, Randy Mac, or Sweet Briar for various mixers. Others departed on weekends to relax at home or to various colleges for a taste of real college life. We were given a taste of 'real' college life and the partying atmosphere unbeknownst here at VMI.

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Perrow, Edgar J.

Piland, Jethro H.
Porter, Brandon C.
Powell, Chris C.
Prince, Robert T.
Pybas, Geoffrey W.
Rawlings, Mark C.
Redder, Randolph E.

Reed, Michael D.
Renne, Karl C.
Richardson, James E.
Richardson, William
Ripley,John M.
Rivera, Julian J.
Roberts, Franklin M.

Ruengmee, Wiwat
Ryan, Thomas M.
Santarsieri, Joe M.
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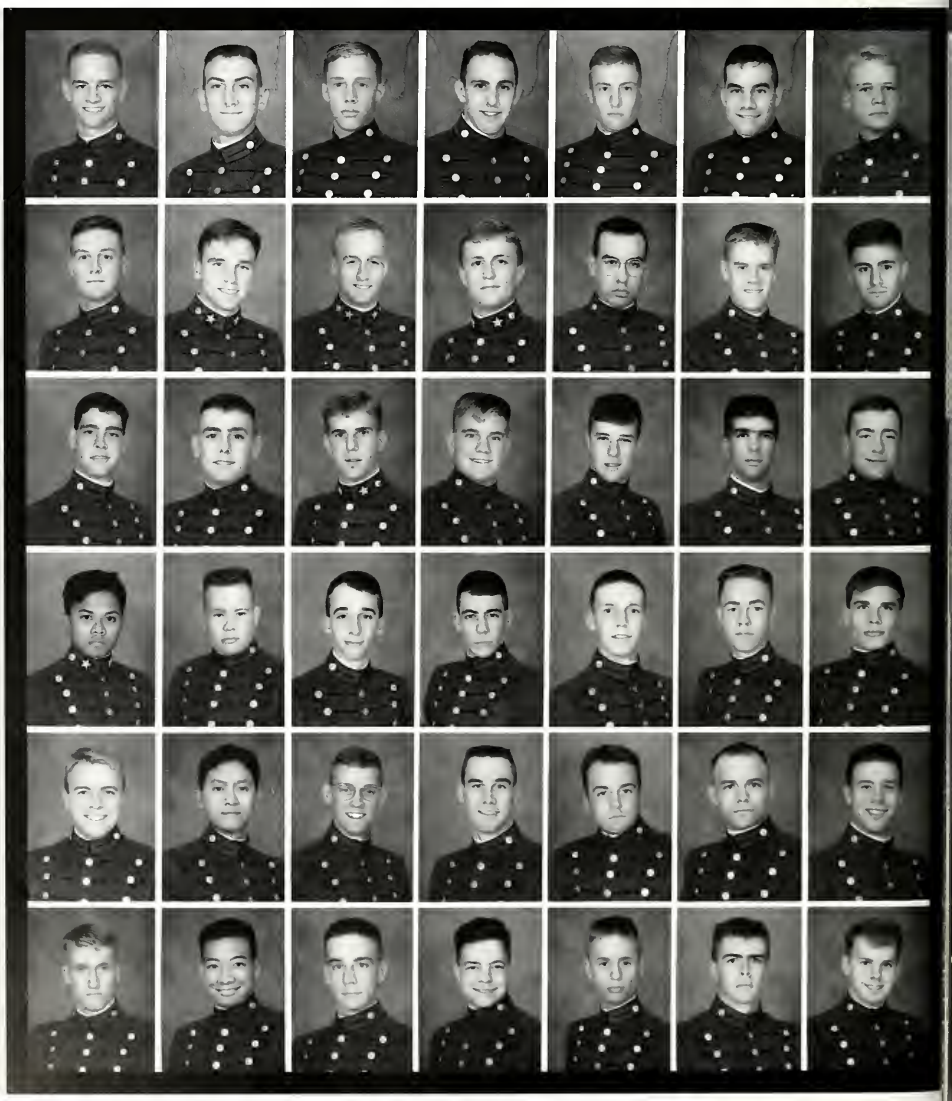
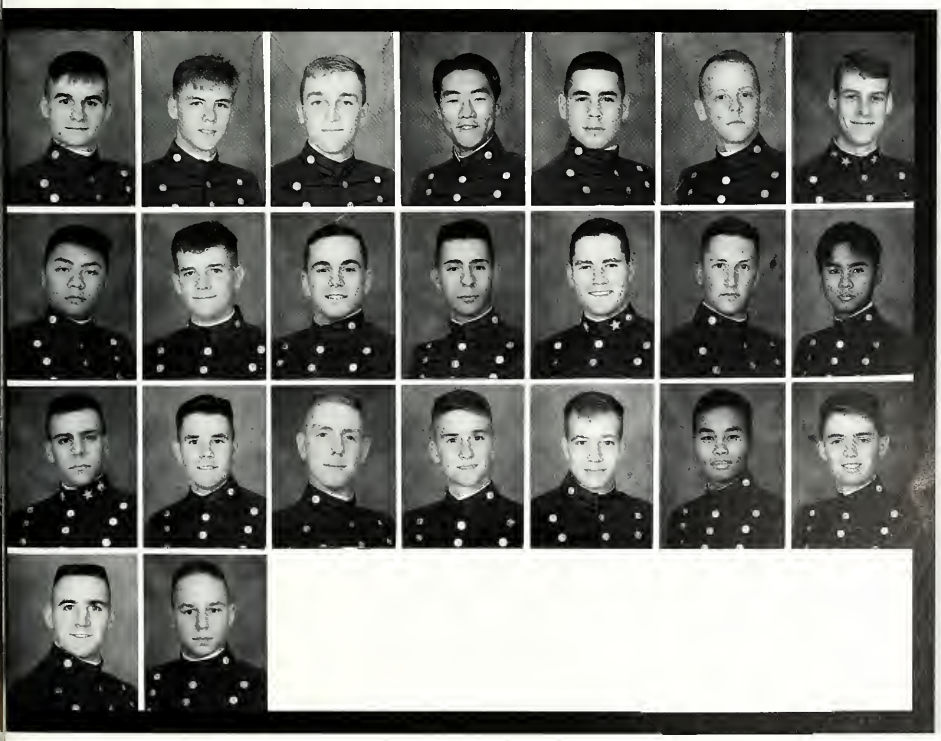


(Left): Andrew Armiger seems to be enjoying his weekend away from the "I".

(Right): Brian Mitchell doesn't look too thrilled to be pulling guard duty on a weekend, one of the things an upperclassmen dreads most.



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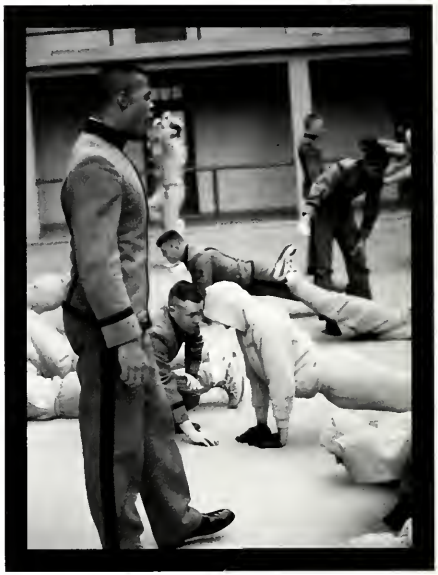
Zepko, James L.
Zurawski, Chris R.

Cadre Week

By Chris Powell

Those of us who had been selected returned on August 11. We came back to the place we so recently dreaded with many ideas how the year was to go, but we all had our common goal: to ensure that the mass of 94+3 would be subjected to the same dismal, foreboding, gut-wrenching experience which we had all too recently completed. When the day finally came for the matrix to begin, there was a new sense of energy. We would finally be able to tear into our first rat. What does a neophyte third class corporal say to the first victim of his content? There is no script for such things, just follow your instincts. Scott McCoy's speech led up to the most intense rush of adrenaline, testosterone, and pure power that any of us had ever experienced. We yelled, screamed, and made more noise than we thought possible. This sorry bunch of long-haired overweight, nasty bodies were in our charge, and we were assigned the terminable task of shaping them into a proper rat and, ultimately, a cadet.



WASTING TIME

by Brian "Troll" Eberhardt

Time is something a lot of people believe we don't have much of here at VMI. However, there are those of us who feel that time is easily found when we'd rather be doing something besides studying. Some of us find new hobbies. Others have found it very enjoyable to read unassigned books. There's even time to socialize in Club Crozet. Most have at one time or another found the biggest time waster of them all: your neighbor's computer. There's always a new game that you can play and it doesn't even take any quarters. It just goes to show that if you feel there is nothing to do here, you either have to use your imagination or go to your neighbor's room.

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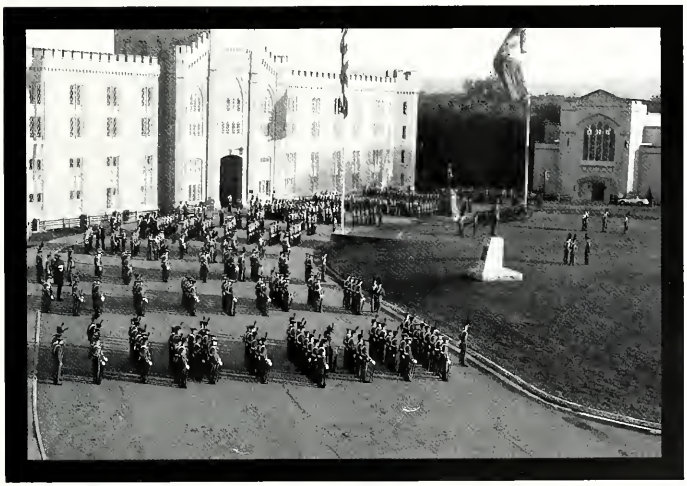
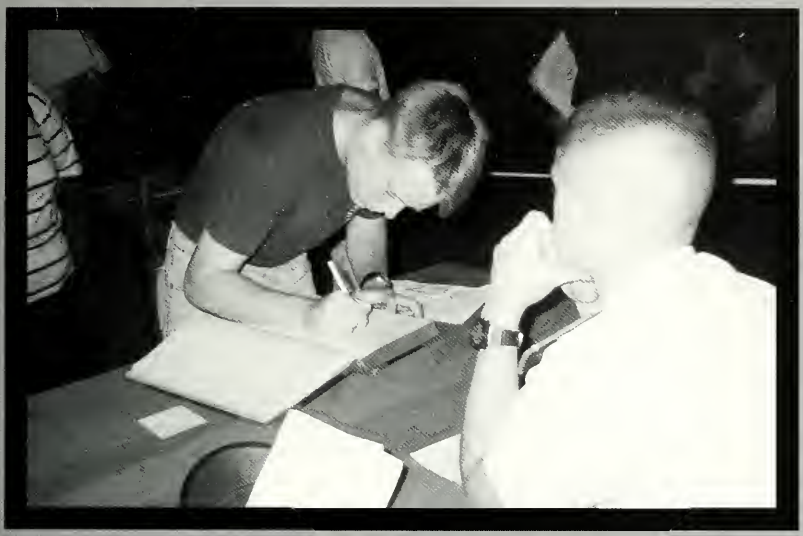


EXIT

The Future?!!

THE CLASS (MASS?) OF 1997

When we first came to the "I", none of us really knew what to expect, other than what other's had told us. The Ratline started in a fairly subdued manor with the signing of the matriculation book, adding our names to that list which included the likes of George C. Marshall and George S. Patton...

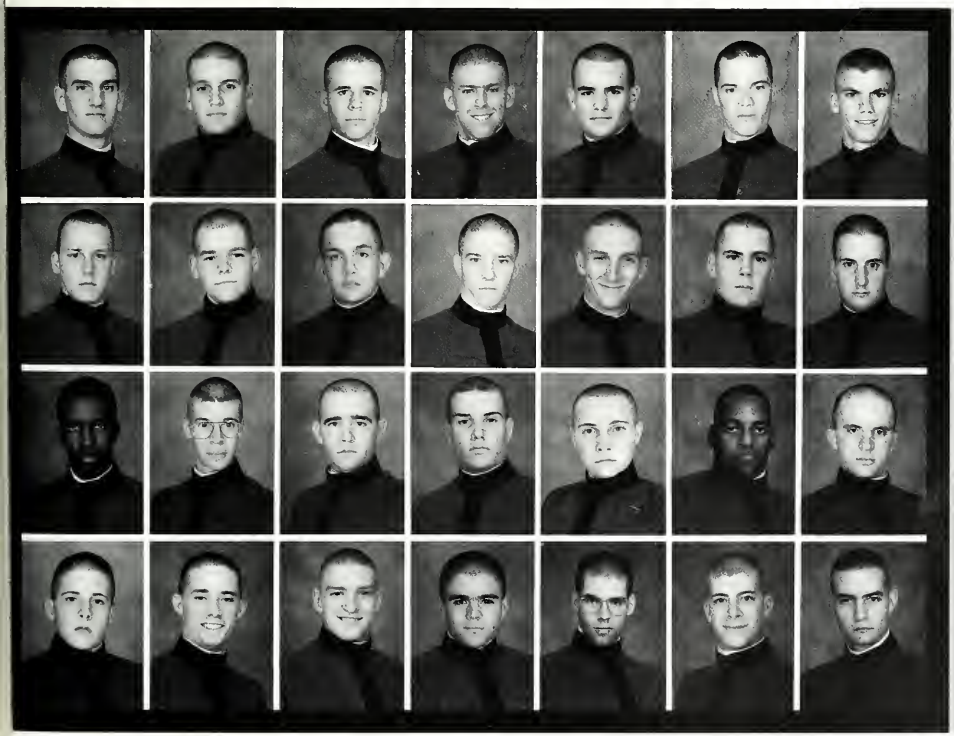


But then the pace picked up a little as we met a interesting group of people known as our Cadre. These men very unlike any we had ever met before...

The Cadre took us to get these really neat haircuts then they instructed us on how to stand up strait...

They even gave us all sorts of new clothes and shoes. Some of us had to stare up and wonder how anybody could be so nice...

Then we were giving our Rat Bibles, the book that told us everything we needed to know to make it through the Ratline. The Cadre were kind enough to give us pop quizes to ensure that we were coming along in our studies...



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Bartley, Travis W.
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Berger, Christopher
Berry, Chris A.
Bigelow, Chandler L
Board, James E.

Bobb, Lawrence A.
Boersma, Randall D.
Bonham, Edward T.
Bosserman, Jason E.
Bowers, Christopher
Braxton, Keith P.
Brown Matthew W.

Brown, Michael L.
Brown, Stephen F.
Burdette, Dale E.
Burdon, Aaron M.
Buser, Francis X.
Bushman, John M.
Carte, Charles A.

We learned how to walk in a straight line...

Chase, Tyler W.
Chezem, Justin M.
Chompucot, Chaval
Clark, Andrew K.
Clevenger, Drace E.
Coats, Christopher
Coley, Matt A.

Compton, Gary H.
Coombs, Martin R.
Cooper, David O.
Cooper, Matthew R.
Correa, Manuel, Jr.
Costen, Ralph L. III
Costin, Torre J.

Crook, Don T.
Dail, Alton W.
Davis, Robert B.
Dellapenta, Jeffrey
DenBrok, Christian
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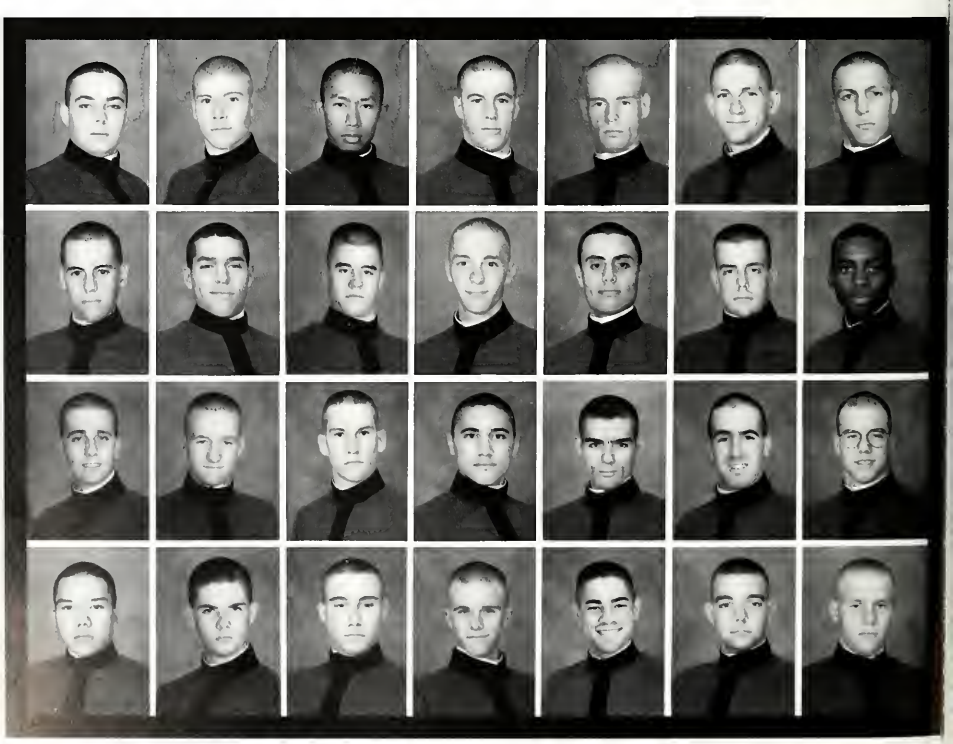

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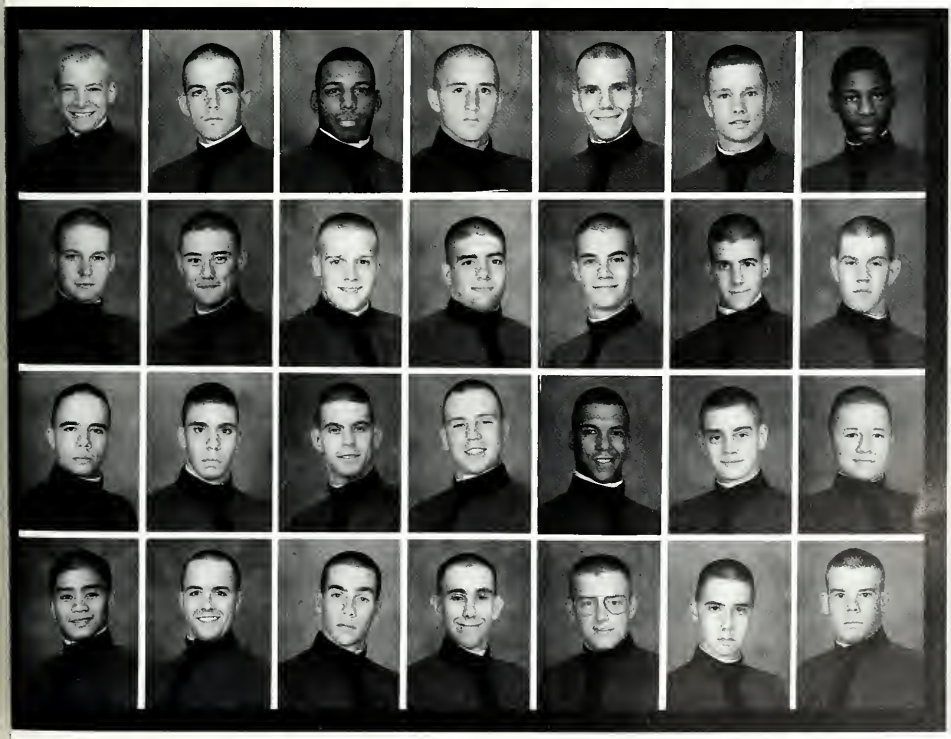

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Evilsizer, Daniel H.
Ezekwe, Obi-one

Farrar, Christopher P
Feist, Robert J.
Ferguson, George R.
Ferguson, Shannon
Field, Garrett D.
Fix, Derek R.
Foresman, Jason L.

Freer, Michael J.
Gagliardi, Peter W.
Gaulding, George E.
Gregory, Douglas B.
Grinage, Berchman
Grogan, Scott E.
Gruse, Jason K.

Guarin, Michael M.
Hagan, Joseph A.
Hall, William D.
Harback, David P.
Harding, Joel W.
Harms, Jason B.
Harrell, Joseph A.

Our physical limits were put to the test during the many events of Rat Challenge...

Harris, Bradford J.
Harrison, Romando
Haskins, Thomas A.
Haseltine, George D.
Henderson, Jeffrey N
Hezel, Richard F.
Hickman, Jacob T.

Higgins, Trey S.
Hill, Ronald T.
Himel, Craig P.
Hobbs, Christopher J
Holt, William A.
Hopkins, Max H.
Howard, Joseph S.

Hudock, David M.
Ingram, Terry G.
Irlbacher, George M.
Jai, Wun-Hoa
Jenkins, John W.
Jeter, James W.
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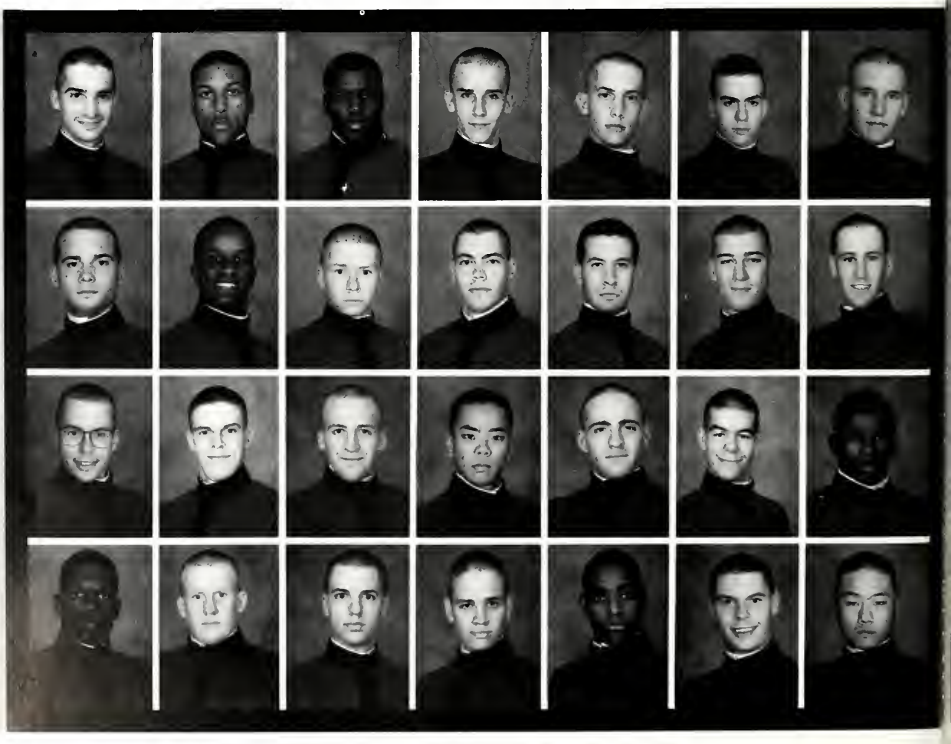

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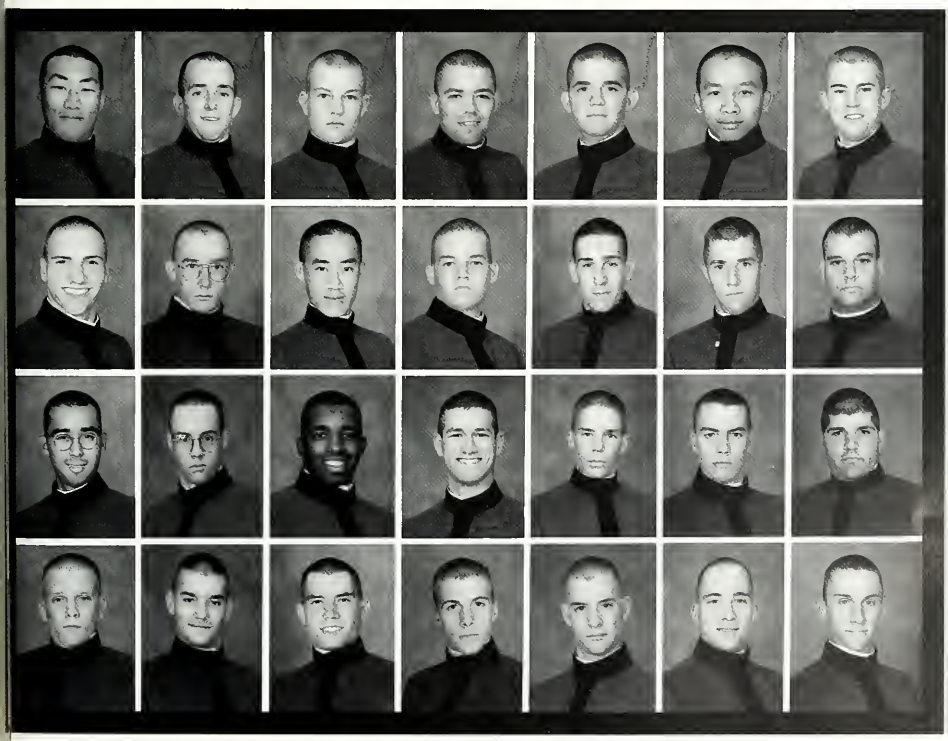

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LaMountain, Will T.
Lesnick, Brian K.
Letts, Adam P.
Linderman, Matthew
Lines, Kenneth M.
Lorenzato, Mario Jr.

Luna, Sergio D.
Martin, *"G"* Brian
Martin, Franco X.
Martin, Peyton W.
Martin, William R.
Matthew, Jeffrey P.
McCabe, William C.

McCormick, David S
McCoy, Jason B.
McGuire, William M
McKenna, Michael J
McLean, Foster J.
McLean, Matthew T.
McQuade, John M

We cheered...

Medlin, Michael W.
Menefee, Hasani L.
Michael, Robert C.
Middough, Jason L.
Minor, Ralph T.
Moody, William M.
Moore, Allen D.

Moore, John F.
Moore, Tyler J.
Moore, Tim O.
Mosby, Troy M.
Neely, Chad G.
Newton, John T.
Nguyen, Tuan A.

Nitzsche, Erich F.
O'Donnell, William J
Osborn, Andrew M.
Painter, David J.
Pankuch, Anthony B.
Patterson, Eric J.
Pelton, Matthew C.

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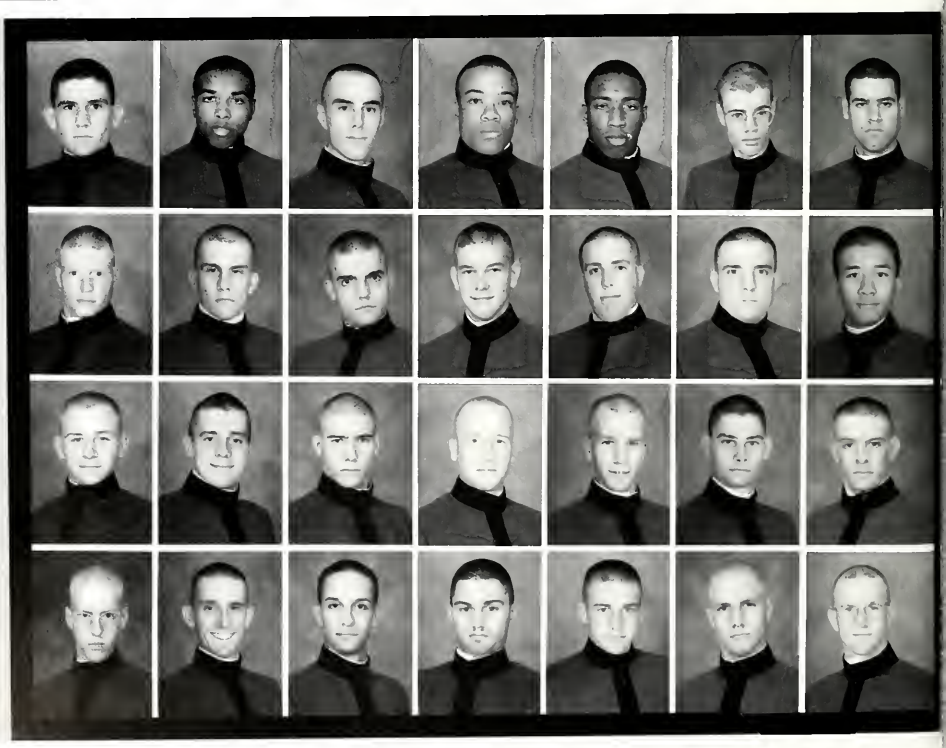

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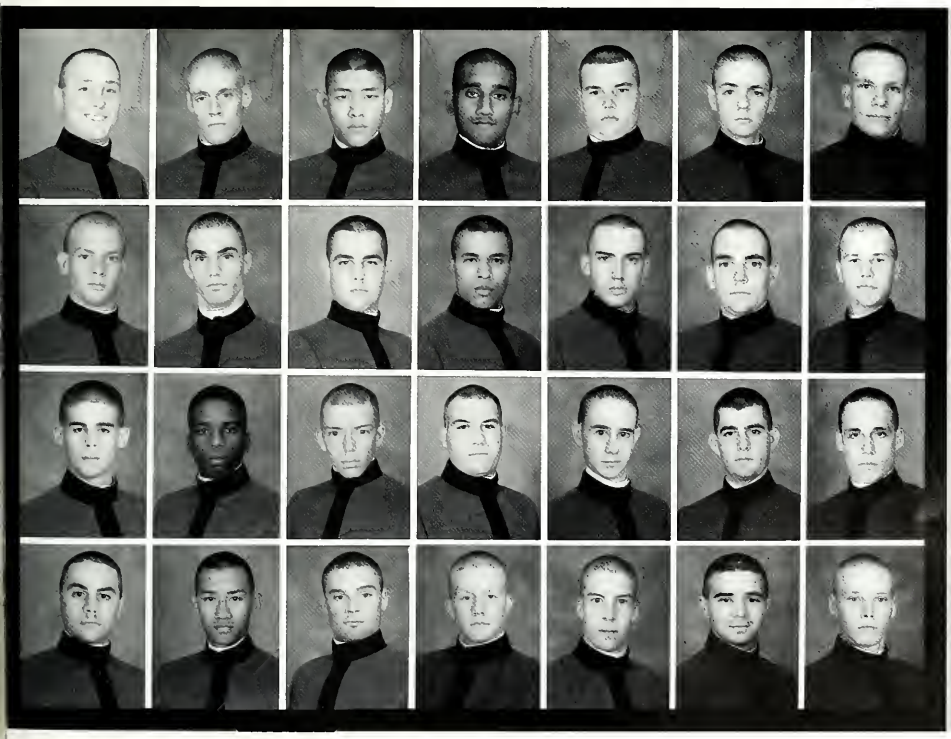

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Saunders, Scott M.
Schunk, Todd M.

Scott, William J.
Senakit, Prommarat
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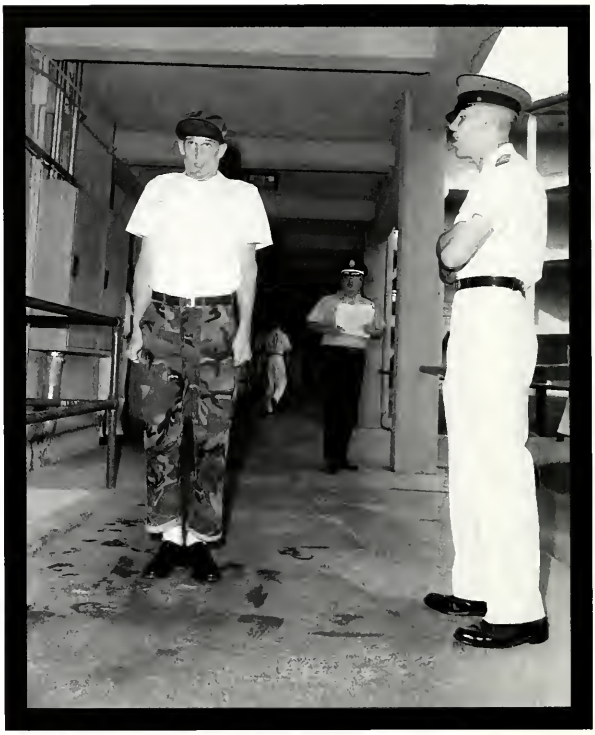

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Springer, Brett M.
St.Clair, Gilbert J.
Stagg, William S.
Staich, Andrew L.
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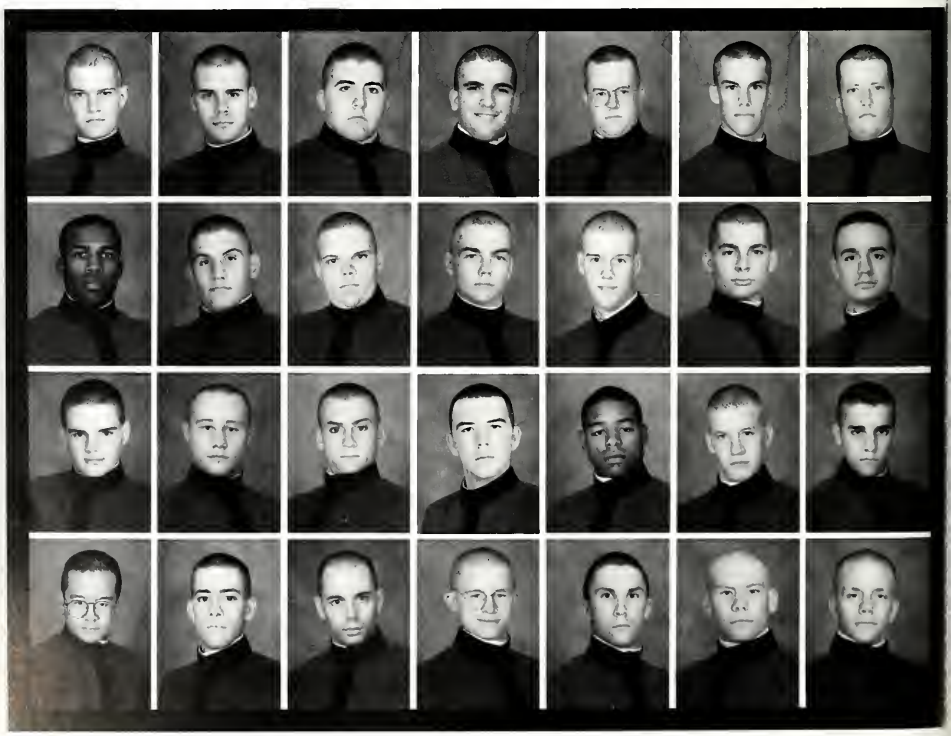
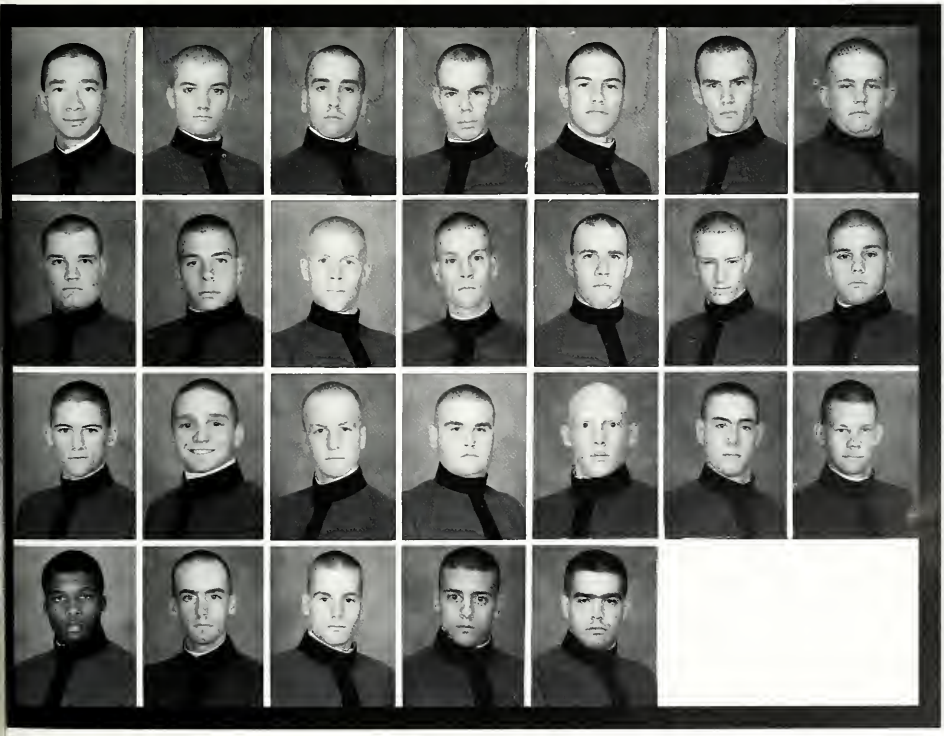


Until we finally succeeded in bonding together to form

THE CLASS OF 1997!

Breakout, 1 March 1994



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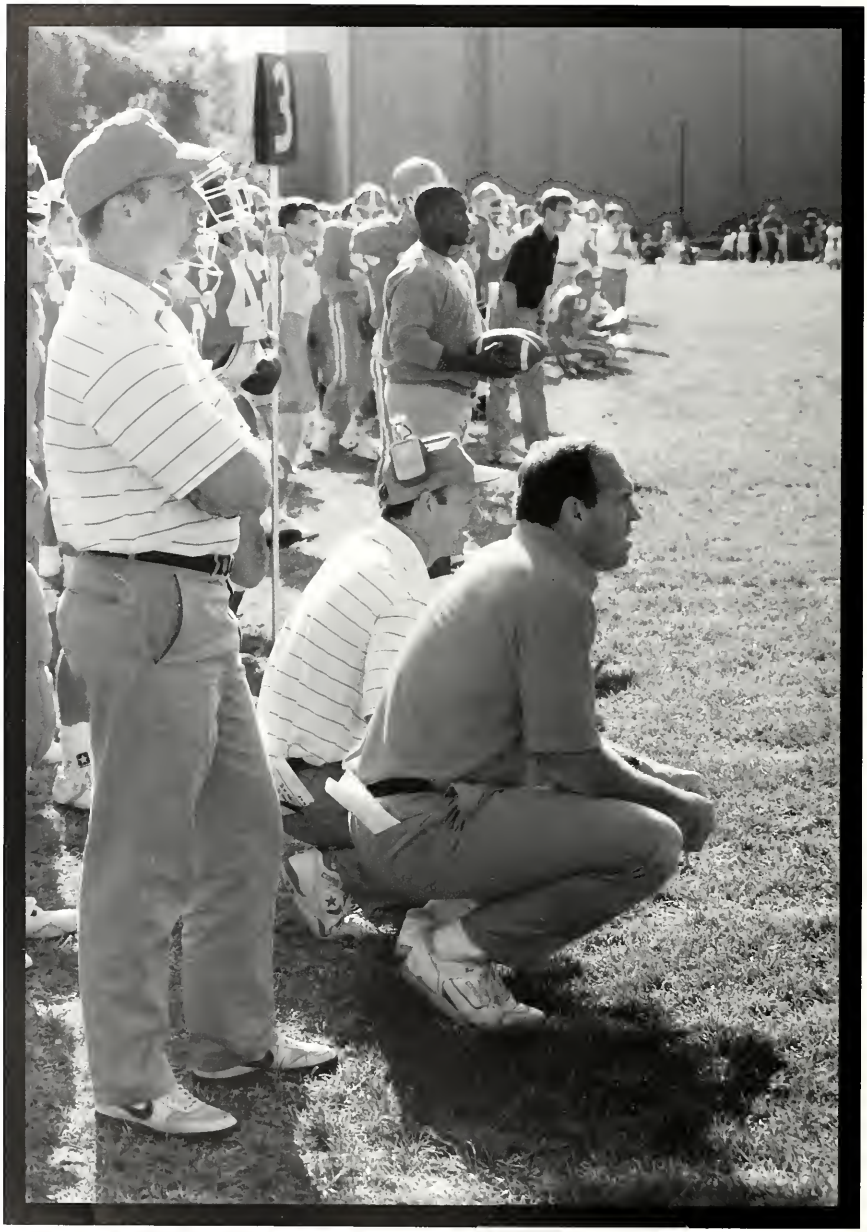
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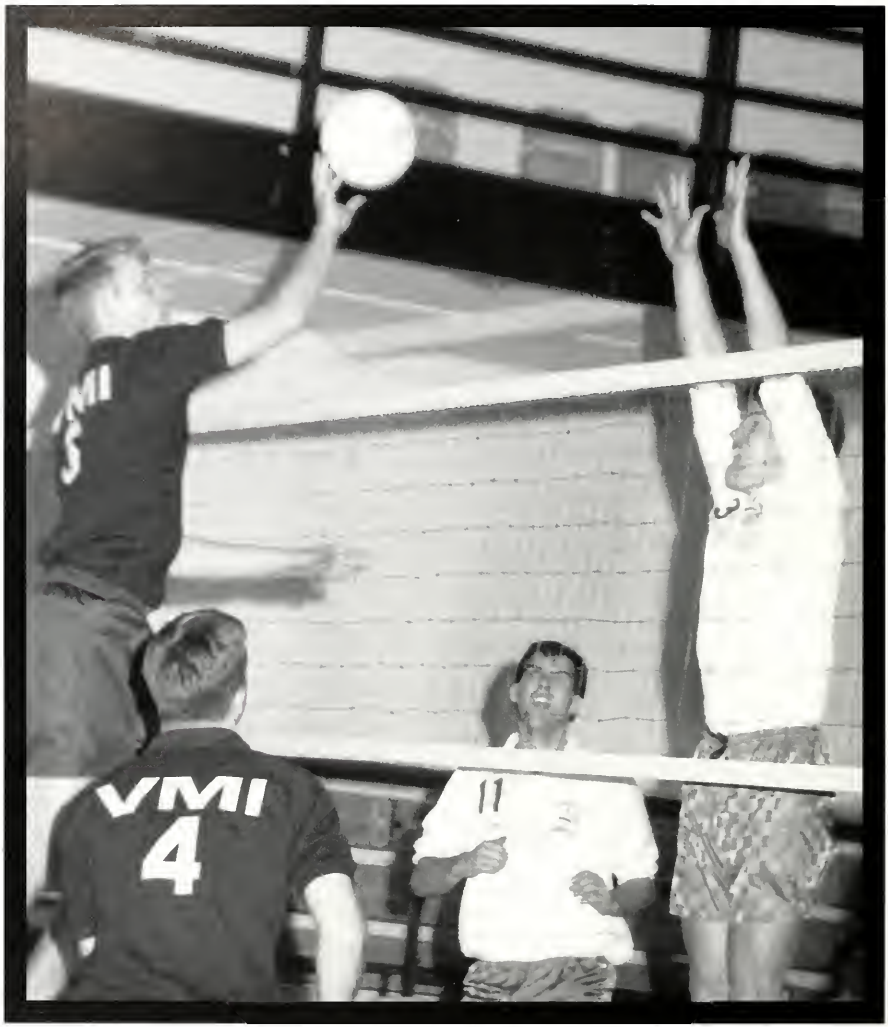
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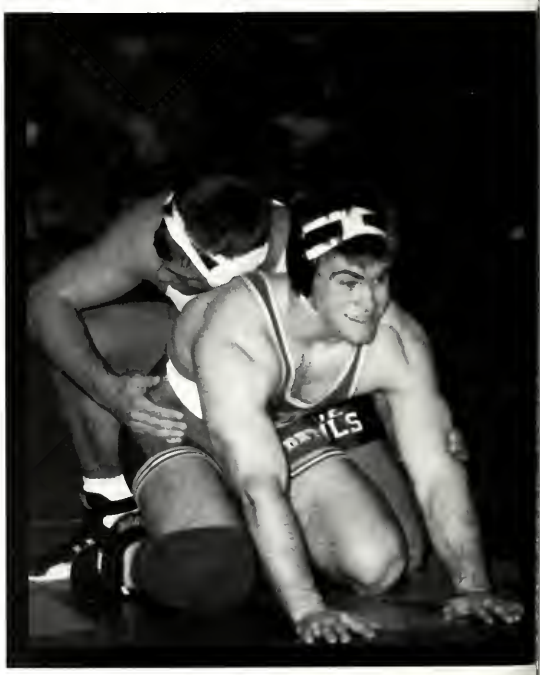

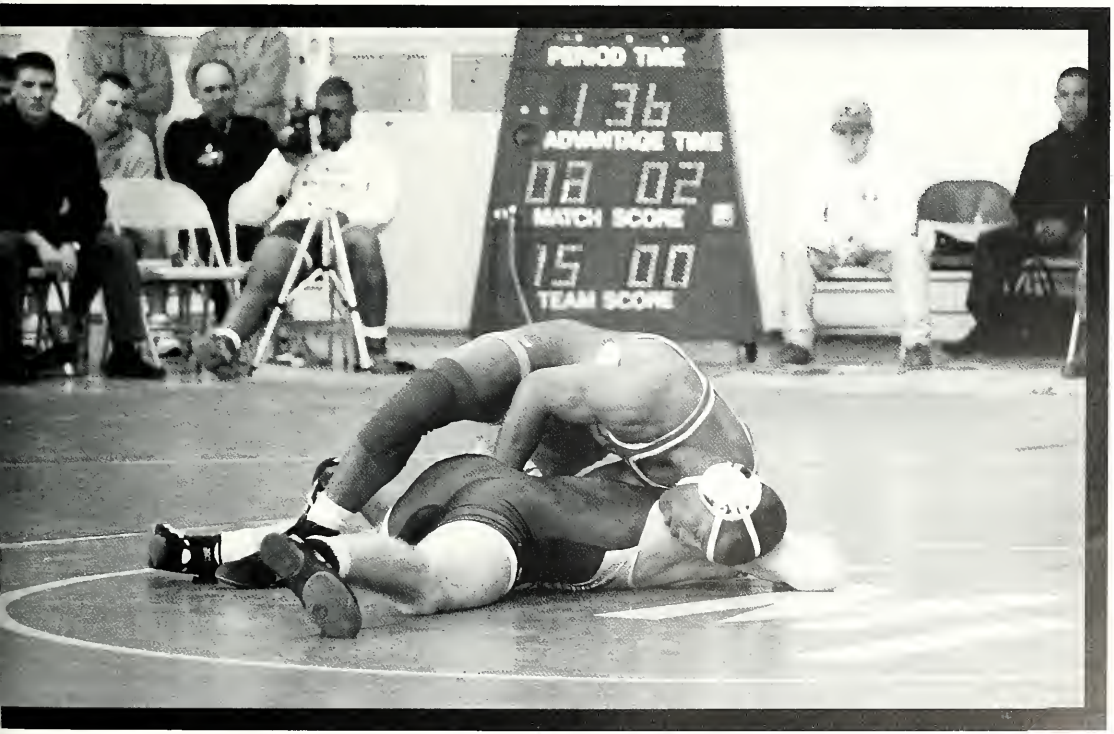
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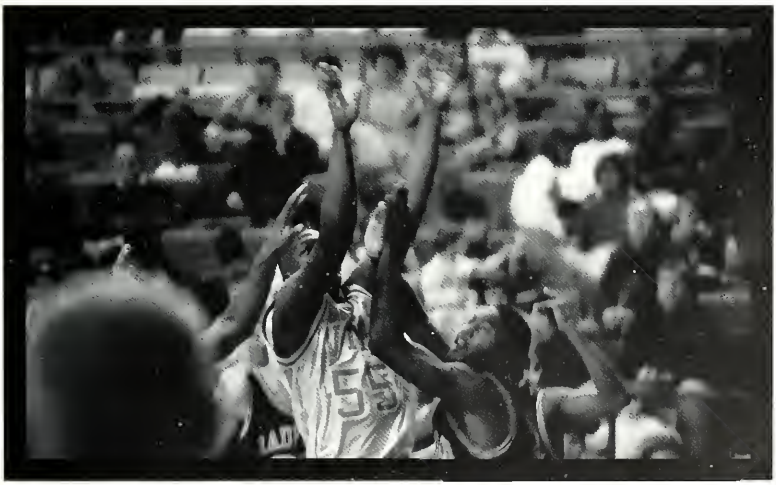

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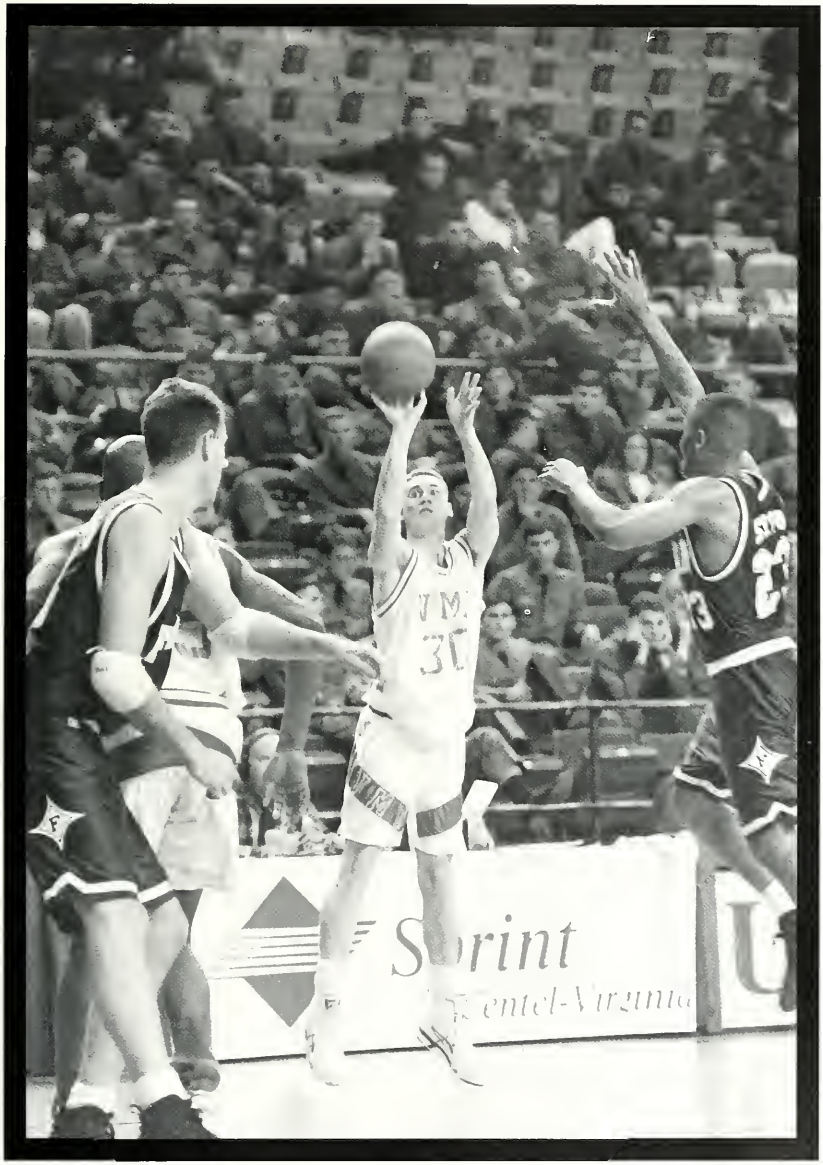
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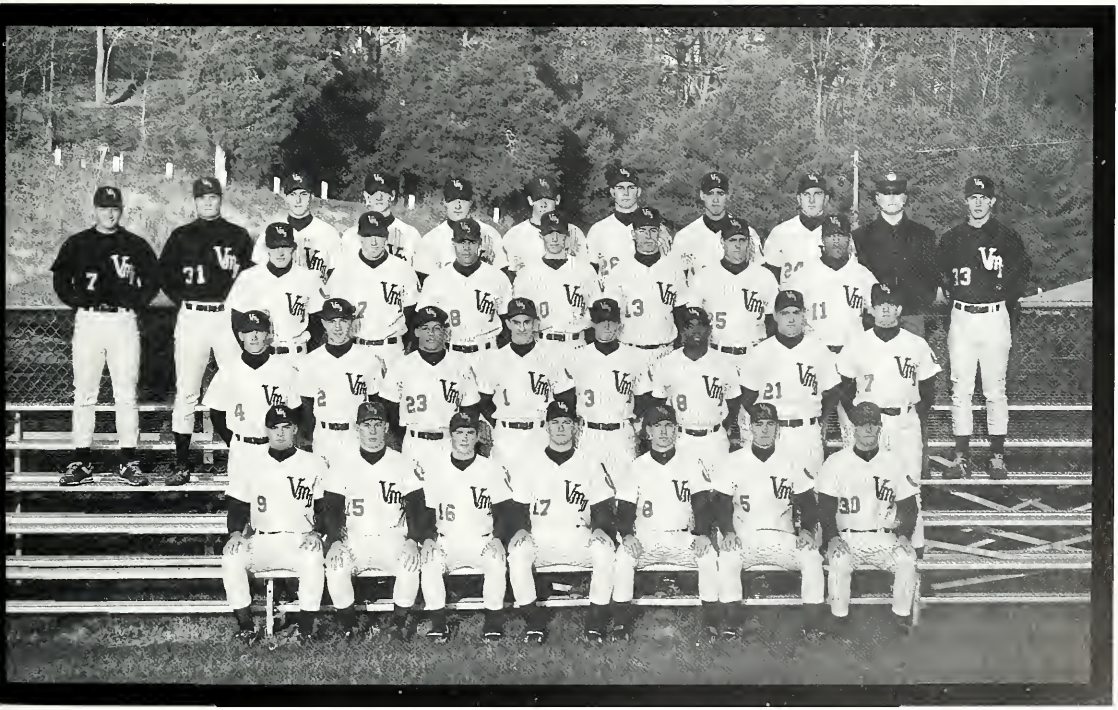

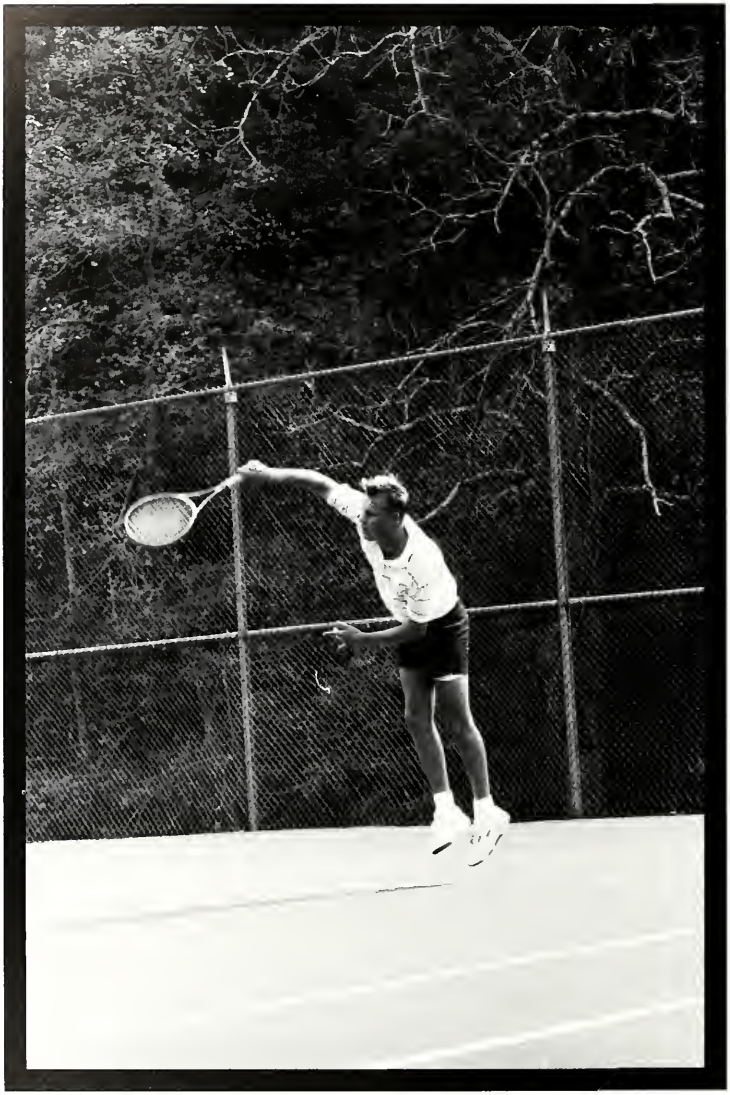

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The V.M.I. Outrage

"The Reality Behind the Illusion"

EXTRA! EXTRA! Sponge Almost Graduates...Sort Of!!!!!!

(AP) After taking the review during the Retiring Alumni Parade, Cadet John Greenspon a.k.a. "Sponge," was escorted through Limits Gates by the V.M.I. Superintendent, Maj. Gen. John W. Knapp. Having recently received tenure, most were shocked at his upcoming graduation, somewhere else.

Many feel that htis is a closing of an era at V.M.I., another tradition that will sadly not carry into the twenty-first century. The acting Commandant, Col. Stephen Wilson '68 remembered the first time he had the pleasure of meeting Sponge. "Well, it was back during my Matriculation in the early fall of '58, and Sponge, then a fifth year man, was working down in the QMD handing out gear, as well as plenty of good advice. Now that I'm the acting Commandant, the pride I feel watching him take the review and leave is immeasurable."

Col. Calkins, the head of the PE Dept., first met Sponge while as associate professor of boxing. Calkins said, "You know, I had him in my Boxing classes every semester for the past twenty-five years. In that time, he [Sponge] progressed from the worst boxer I ever Saw, to the second worst."

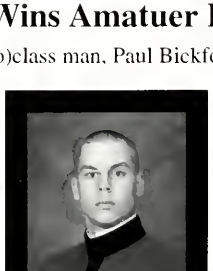
Cover Story Photo:

General Knapp (on right) escorts Sponge through VMI's Limit's Gates. Sponge, approaching retirement, seems amused at the thought of leaving VMI.

Courtesy of AP Photos

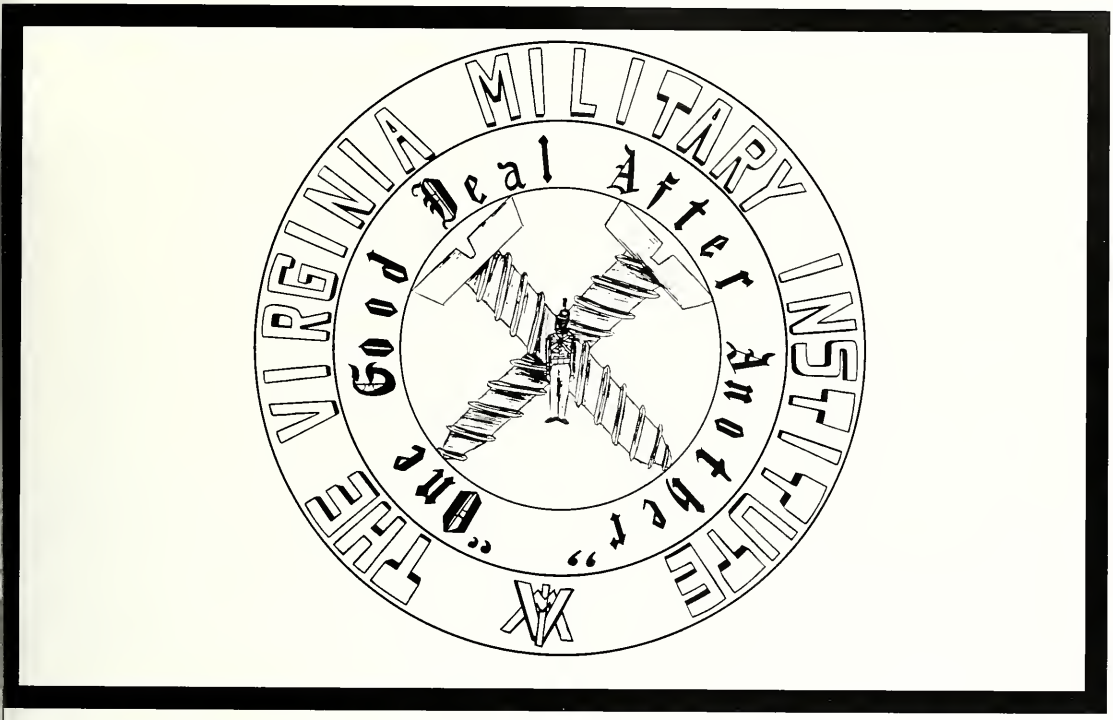
Cadet Bickford Wins Amatuer Photo Contest

Last week, Cadet Fourth (No)class man, Paul Bickford won the vaunted Silve Beaver Award for exellence in amatuer, trailer-park pho- tography. It was presented by the honorable Larry Flyn in a quiet ceremony above Buildings and Grounds Cindy, his model and girl- friend, hales from South- ern Virginia College for Women and has been of- fered a chance at winning a full pictorial in Flynt's publi- cation.



Bickford, upon receiving the award, commented "With the help of Kodak, I was able to capture her natu- ral beauty. You know I love her. We have been ap- proached by next year's Ring Figure Committee about a poster campaign, that i sure to outsell 95's." Bickford is a transfer student from Hampton-Sydney. (Enoug said!)

Board of Vistors Announces New VMI Crest



Crest's Motto Origins Revealed

The president of the Board of Visitors an-
ounced today that the VMI Crest would be
hanged to the above design. First recom-
nended in the Ring Figure Magazine of '79, it
as recently gained much popularity in both the
Old and New Corps alike. The motto came from
n article written by Rob Hurd in 1992. Below
s part of the article, reprinted:

Hurd's Word: Wisdom from the Bottom

"I want you all to know this new pertinent in-
ormation. Write it in your Rat Bibles right un-
er the 7 Cardinal Sins. There are only four,
ount'em, four VMI good deals. 1. The S-4 sale.
got a blazer, two ties and a cool Nerf football
ll for seven bucks. You can't beat that Rats. 2.
icnic Dyke. It's comfortable and I wear it ev-
rywhere. 3. MD. You get to keep your bed
own and you can still leave Post. 4. The VMI
undry. I'm not sure how it works, but you
row it out Monday, pick it up Friday, it's clean.
Oops, I forgot, picnic dyke has been outlawed.
here's only three VMI good deals."

SMJ Hockaday Yells One Millionth HOORAH, then Spontaneously Combusts!!!!!!!!

On 21 May, SMJ Alvin Hockaday finally yelled his one millionth HOORAH as the Class of 1994 marched into Cameron Hall for commencement exercises. Witnesses reported seeing Al's face contort as the piercing battle cry, which means "Feed'em" in Gruntenese, reverberated throughout the Hall. Then, he suddenly exploded in a ball of flame, quite similar to the many Buddhist monks in S.E. Asia during the late 1960's and early 70's. Maj. Gen. Knapp, who was sitting beside the SMJ, miraculously escaped major injuries other than getting trampled by scared middle schoolers sitting near their section. Fortunately for his height, or lack of it, most of the flames went right over his head, as do most things.

In a special ceremony with an unavoidable parade, the SMJ was posthumously awarded the New Market Cincinatus Medal of Honor for gallant actions definitely above and beyond the call of duty. These extraordinary traits of courage and valor were best demonstrated in his one man war against the infamous "Barracks Baaaaaallplayers." After defeating them in many extended conflicts, the Baaaalplayers would retreat into their caves and spiderholes along the first stoop, only to return again with colorful ballcaps imputently worn.

The SMJ accused one cadet of having a bad attitude by wearing a cap shortly after being busted. When the cadet was asked if he was simply trying to ignore the SMJ in hopes that he would disappear, the cadet responded, "SMJ, I don't think we could be that fortunate!" SMJ then beat the cadet severly about the head and shoulders with an entrenching tool.

Original New Market Permit Found!!

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Subject: Support Mission: (See enclosure no. 1; General Breckenridge's letter of request.)

1. It is requested that the Corps of Cadets be granted leave immediately for the purpose of supporting Confederate forces in the valley near New Market, Virginia. (See enclosure no. 2; map of New Market area.)

ANY ACADEMIC WORK TO BE MISSED MUST BE MADE UP IN ADVANCE COORDINATE WITH PROFESSORS CILLIAM & WILLIAMSON. WH

2. The trip will be mandatory for all able-bodied cadets and optional for those cadets on the gim. The Corps will be authorized off post upon approval and return of this permit until Taps 20 May 1864 or such time as our presence is no longer needed, whichever comes first. – DIRECTLY TO & FROM BATTLEFIELD. NO SIDE TRIPS WH

NEW MUST HAVE GPA (2.3 FOR FIRST CLASSMEN) WH

3. If Union forces are engaged by the Corps during this leave the Corps will be granted an extension of this leave until said engagement reaches a decisive outcome.

RESTRICTIONS RESTRICT! MEN ON CONFINEMENT MAY ATTEND ONLY BY EXTENDING CONFINEMENT HOUR FOR HOUR WH

4. It is requested that ~~confinement be lifted~~ during this leave. Men with PTs will receive credit for 3 PTs for each day of this leave and will receive 2 for 1 credit for each 50 minutes of actual combat. Men with Full Class Privileges will receive ~~103~~ 3 merits per day ~~during this mission~~ and 5 merits per ~~50 minutes of~~ CONFIRMED KILL ~~combat~~. It is requested that the Corps receive Limited Duty ~~for~~ ON the ~~week~~ DAY following its return to post. Furthermore, it is requested that all 2nd, 3rd, and 4th classmen receive ~~1~~ regular weekend~~s~~ and all 1st classmen receive 1 restrictions-free or extended weekend. ~~and 1 day.~~

5. This mission is our duty as citizens and cadets of the Confederate States of America and the Virginia Military Institute. Our support is much needed and will bring great credit to the Institute.

DEPARTURE & RETURN IN FULL DRESS W/ ARMS. CIVILIAN CLOTHES NOT AUTHORIZED. WH

APPROVED
MAY 11 1864
COMMANDANT'S OFFICE

THIS IS OFFICIAL INSTITUTE BUSINESS - THUS CADETS AUTHORIZED HORSES AND CARRIAGES MAY NOT USE THEM ON THIS PERMIT.

Rec. App. ASG, DCA

Respectfully submitted,

First Captain, Corps of Cadets
Virginia Military Institute

HEADQUARTERS VMI
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PROVOST AND DEAN

as amended. Failure to achieve stunning victory constitutes breach of parole requiring self-bone. WH

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SUPERINTENDENT

Remember – Perfect in peace!
JWL

Crozet Food Improvements Fail When Cadet Chokes on Sausage

After repeatedly poor quality food was served in Crozet Hall, several cadets refused to eat any more ARA prepared meals. The food managers brought many improvements in record time. Just when it finally seemed that all was well with the food service, the Regimental S-1 choked on a Kielbasa sausage. The cozy ambiance of Club Crozet was shattered as Strickland fell to his knees, hacking and spitting. One cadet was quoted as saying, "I can't believe he choked on it; I've seen him swallow bigger things before." Another cadet said, "I don't think it was the size of the sausage, just the taste." Several of his friends and roommates were able to successfully perform the Heimlich manuever on the choking cadet.

For readers who are not familiar with this model cadet, he was the private who was miraculously promoted to Regimental S-1 in the middle of the year. Although few were impressed with his assumption to power, most were not surprised at how he earned it.

When asked by professional sports trainers regarding possible teriod use, Sills responded, "No I don't, but thanks for asking. What ou see is all me, all natural."

Seven Econ Cadets Use Col. Rowe's Study Guide

In the highly competitive and stressful management exams, several cadets were able to get ahead of their classmates by using the newly published Rowe's Guide to Easy Economics & Better Business. The second classmen achieved notoriety for their classmates and teammates by doing so well with so little preparation. With the aid from the tips in the guide, the cadets scored so highly on their finals, that they were featured in several front page articles in the Richmond Times-Dispatch. Published by the Lexington Press, this fantastic book with practice tests and quick reviews can be purchased for $19.95 at the VMI Bookstore or in the Economics and Business main office. Several tips from the bestseller include: 1- Decimal points were made to be moved; 2- If it's not nailed down, it's your's; 3- When accused, deny it, deny it, deny it.

What remains a mystrey to most is why several of the cadets left early, thereby not attending the academic HONORs review held for several days. Attendance was by invitation summons only. Two of next year's Big Three were roommates with several of those academically gifted. They were unavailable for comment about their roommates' early departure, causing them to miss the HONORs festivities. The third member of the Big Three wondered aloud, "Why wasn't I invited to the gala? Just because my roommates are clean on this one is no reason for me not to be included."

The VMI Bookstore announced that due to the overwhelming demand of the study guide, a second printing is in progress and will be on the shelves soon. Col. Rowe plans to continue this succes by writing study guides for other fields of study.

O'Keefe Wins Iron-Man Challenge!!!!!!!!!

In an amazing upset, Cadet Sills O'Keefe beat out last year's Iron-Man champion, Ian Torchik, in a long and grueling test of wills. Both barges entered the water with a noticable rise in the overall water level. The two swimmers floated, or rather swam furiously, in what could be described as a Trafalger-like duel between two great ships of the line. Captain Ahab, boating in the harbor of Lexington, was physically restrained and knocked unconcious. They were fished from the water at the same time, therefore the score was tied.

The bicycle race went slower than planned, but this was the first time that a new prototype with additional rear-axles was used. Torchik won the biking event by several lengths, not widths.

Torchik's standing in the poles caused the natural athlete to come out in "Speedy" O'Keefe. He ran the marathon in the tradition of the ancient Greeks, half-naked and sucking for air. Curves were straightened, squirrels were flattened, and Sills powered on. Staunch supporters kept him carbo-loaded with squirt bottles of **Guiness** along the way. With the Luck of the Irish, O'Keefe won by several miles. Col. "Gordy" Calkins has promised O'Keefe an entire keg of **Guiness** if he'll run next year's Marine Corps Marathon.

Alternative Lifestyles at VMI?

Cadets Form Free Love Society!

In a series of shocking events today, two cadets who are also roommates announced that they were coming out of their wall-lockers. Col. Bissell, always the politician, commented that the two unnamed cadets were not to be discriminated against. Col. Leeeroy Hammond surprised everyone by issueing a memo, stating VMI's new policy similar to, "Don't ask, don't tell."

Both cadets were not afraid of any retribution or harassment dur to thier desire for alternative lifestyles and change in sleeping arrangements. One was quoted as saying, "I'm not afraid of anybody; in fact, I have a 9mm in my room just for this type of protection. We use other types of protection, also."

Col. Bissell ordered that the two cadets were not to be treated any differently or discriminated against. Cadet Captains were ordered not to "bone them" in ranks. The state police, FBI, and the A.C.L.U., were invited in by the Superintendent to ensure the cadets were not receiving threatening letters. The OGA has launched a Corps-wide investigation to prevent said harassment.

Cadet Ty Johnson is currently in the process of forming a new club known by the acronymn F.A.G.S., or Friends Against Gay Students. Cadet Johnson is quoted as saying, "Fag bashing is not just fun, it is a civic duty! It's as American as Mom, the Flag, and apple pie."

Photo Above: Hillary Rodham holds a press conference after the presentation of awards to Clinton and Badgett. She told reporters, "I really did not like that obnoxious tie. I told "Lee D." that if he gives one like that to Billy for Christmas, we'll enroll Chelsea there.

Courtesy AP Photos

Leeeroy Memo Deems Badget Important

In a recent memorandum, Col. Leeeroy Hammond, the Executive Assistant to the Provost and Dean, reminded the faculty, staff, and Corps of Cadets that General L.D. Badgett the Provost and Dean of Faculty, was an important cog in the Smith Hall Machine of Bureaucracy. This all stems from the fact that Badgett as a cadet was a Rhodes Scholar. The memo continued, "Anybody who is a Rhodes Scholar automatically qualifies for awards of importance, respect, and intelligence. Leeeroy chided some for claiming that "L.D." actually stood for "Learning Disabled," no matter how appropriate the translation applied.

In a double ceremony, shortly following the D-Day memorial, William Jefferson Clinton and his old roommate, Lee D. Badgett, were both awarded honorary degrees. Unfortunately, there is no photographic proof of Badgett receiving the degree with Clinton. It seems Hillary Rodham did not like the incredibly tacky red-white-yellow alumni tie Badgett was wearing for the occasion, and thus would not allow "Billy" and "Learning" (the two friends) to be photographed together. After his retirement from VMI, Badgett intends to raise Tyson chickens on his ranch in Whitewater, Arkansas.

Col. Bissell in His World...

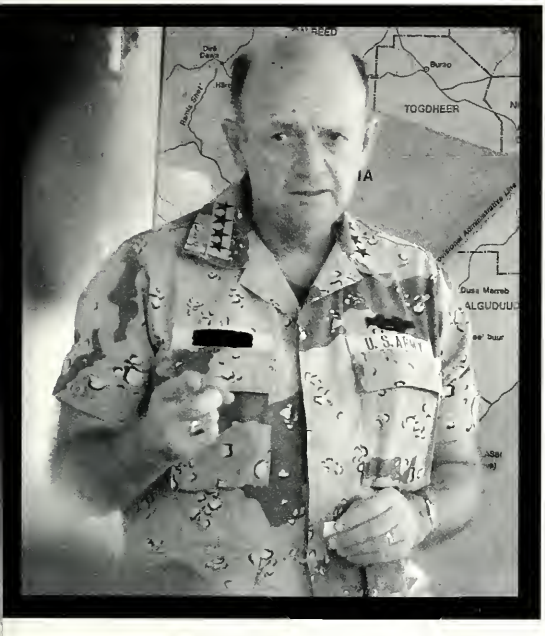

Photo Courtesy Soldiers, Dec '93

Col. Bissell in R.W. (Real World)...

Courtesy Bomb Photo Staff

Photo Above: One of the few enjoyable moments at this year's Oyster Bowl. The game started with our team getting a little behind. All cadets know it's not bad to get a little behind every now and then. but come on gents. this game was a little ridiculous. 49 - 6 is too much behind... the picture above is just the right amount.

Courtesy Bomb Photo Staff

1993 BOMB on New York Times Bestseller List

As of now, due to the incredible and unexpected popularity of the 1993 VMI BOMB, there is approximately a five year wai to receive the annual. The book has also reached the final stages for a possible Pulitzer. The editor of the Bomb, Marc Girling was quite proud of his accomplishment. He said, "The only goal I had was to publish a terrific, picture-filled yearbook withou cost overruns or delays."

Mr. Girling went on to dispel all rumours regarding hikers in northern California who reported sighting Sasquatch reading a copy of the 93 BOMB. The hazy photographs did show a fuzzy animal or human figure peering over a yearbook whil walking along a trail. Scientists countered that the figure probably was not the elusive Bigfoot, but rather a large, hairy bea Col. Strickler of VMI public affairs, has said Sasquatch would not have been able to get a copy from the striking truckers Strickler did confirm that Cadet Dave Phelps '94, was camping in the area.

In his closing comments at the press conference, Girling extended a very emotional thank you to his head photographer Adam Maurer. Adam responded, "Shucks, I really didn't do anything." All present strongly agreed.

Photo above: Editor-in-Chief, Marc Leonard Girling, hard at work on the 93 Bomb. He commented, "The year seemed to pass by so quickly, from April on we were as busy as a hound dog in a fire-plug factory."

Photo right: Adam Maurer busy on a Bomb photo assignment. OOPS, he slept through this one also. This is actually a frame off of one of the many rolls he intentionally destroyed after being fired. Talk to Bickford, he can help you with your photojournalism techniques.

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VMI Football

WE CAME, WE SAW, WE GOT OUR BUTTS KICKED!! This has become the motto of the VMI Football eam. One of the most embarassing moments had to have een this year's Corps Trip to the Oyster Bowl, in which VMI ocked helmets with William and Mary. Never before have o many players given so little for so many privledges. Jim Shuck, VMI's head football coach, was quoted after the game is saying, "Awwwww, Shucks! We lost another one. Well, t least I have two years left on my contract."

In another note about VMI football, a top linebacker myseriously left the Institute after seen buying a copy of Rowe's Guide to Easy Economics & Better Buisness. Cadet Nick Schweizer was quoted as saying, "It's a real shame. Not only was he a model cadet, but a friend to all. He will be greatly nissed." Col. Mike Bissell responded to his abscence. "It's trange he had to leave so suddenly, we've gotten him out of everything before. It's not like he hit anybody. But heh, footall season is over."

After winning one game this season and losing ten, the ootball coaching staff has high hopes for next year's season without the guidance of overachieving Jim Shuck. After such record season, the administration finally decided it was time or him to go, two weeks after renewing his contract.

hoto Above: A group of townies standing on top of their trailer me watch the burning ruins of Smith Hall. Several of those picred are wearing cadets' field jackets believed missing from the VMI aundry Department.

Photo courtesy of AP Photos

Greenpeace Protests Leeeroy

In Lexington, lawyers for the environmental wacko faction of Greenpeace made statements attacking Leeeroy Hammonds incredible disregard for the environment. They claimed that his distribution of nonessential memos to the Corps, faculty, and staff wipe out several acres of valuable rainforest each week. Trying to respond to their allegations, Leeeroy was beaten senseless with reams of that weeks idiot letters.

When asked by reporters, most cadets agreed with Greenpeace. One cadet was quoted as saying, "Yea, we get stupid memos all the time, in fact, we usually just throw them away without even reading them. If it's important, they'll make a turnout at formation." Another cadet who spoke on condition of anonymity said, "It seems that his only job description is to write stupid and pointless memos. Badgett must get a real kick out of keeping that guy busy."

As expected, Leeeroy sent out a memorandum shortly after the activists left infroming cadets that if questioned by reporters, all should respond, "No comment." Basically, it was another waste of paper.

One activist, a blonde, former female barber who has been charged with date-raping masses of cadets, said that she recently joined a motorcycle gang called "Cheap Nympho Bikers for the Rainforests." They roar around Rockbridge staging demonstrations. She was recently arrested at a rally behind VMI Barracks Capt. Hall, the OC that night recalled, "She cussed worse than any of my Marines on float ever did."

PE Dept. Stages Coup, Smith Hall Sacked

In a daring surprise attack at dawn, the PE Dept. launched a revolt against the bureaucratic admin pogues. Col. "Gordie" Calkins, the renegade leader attained complete strategic and tactical surprise over the underworked overpaid pencil pushers. Cadets unfortunate enough to go to BRC noticed something wasn't quite right as smoke poured from the enemy command bunker, Smith Hall. Many were hopeful that Headquarters VMI might have pulled a "Berlin Bunker" routine. The anxoius cadets' hopes were soon terminated when they saw the familiar Army Reserve General Leperchan being escorted away by revolutionary Post Police.

The physical fitness junta wasted no time in forming a tribuanl, which quickly condemned Col. Ratcliff, Maj. Stevens, and Col.Leeeroy Hammond to Limited GP. Although there are scheduled test-offs each month, witnesses claimed nothing short of a re-education/labor camp can come close to saving these men. With a little outside help, Maj. Stevens was reported to have found a real scabbard in which to stick his bayonet. It was said he got the idea from Gen. George C. Marshall's rat line experiences.

Col. Leeeroy Hammond wrote a memo during the attack, but it was lost in the largest paper fire in VMI history. Nothing of any importance was destroyed.

Stonewall Jackson Imposter Arrested by Post Police!

In the above two photographs, an unidentified man dressed as Santa Claus stood relatively motionless on top of the statue i front of Jackson Arch. After being caught and eventually coaxed down by VMI crisis counselor Doc Monseur, the man wa taken into custody and escorted off post by plainclothes Post Police. Officer Coffey said, "They even let us go down to the nev Wal-Mart just to get a $50 suit just to make the arrest. I think I'll be wearing these fine threads for years to come." Federa officials believe that this is the same man responsible for the World Trade Center bombings.

Photos Courtesy of Bomb Staff and AP Photos

Photo left: Recent Disengagements. She ran off with his Uncle Dyke and is engaged to be married to the Redneck County, oops, Rockbridge County native. The Corps wishes them the best of luck and many happy years together. Aaron, next time don't threaten members of a major publication. They'll always get the last word in... Something about laughs last, langhs best!!!! See Hurd about good deal #1.

Staff will leave this one alone. Draw your

Original 1995 Ring Design Discovered

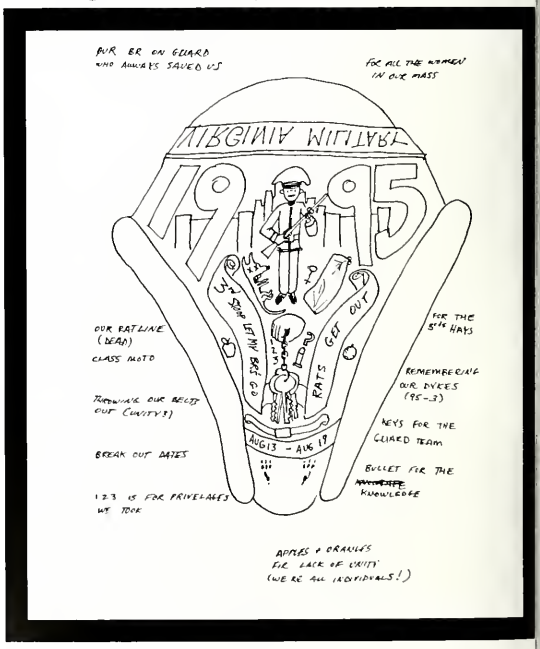


Photo above: A rare photo showing one of the rigorous challenges a cadet must succesfully pass to get rank.

Photo below: After reading this sign, most people clearly understand the message. Please don't associate this picture to the other.

Photo below: An unidentified 1st classman having problems with his room appliances, attempts to get his dishwasher working again.

We Love To Fly and It Shows!!

Delta Airlines recruits on Post

If interested, call Col. Lowe @ 464-7354

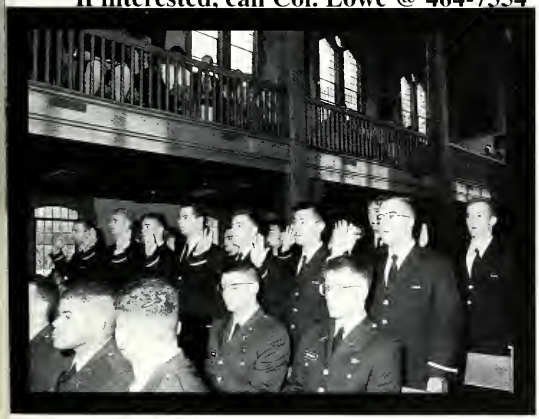


Photo above: When asked if if he "wanted just a trim or the works," this cadet thought very carefully and quickly stammered, "no thanks, just a trim, REALLY!!!!!"

Each one of us who travels further than the obsticles, will know a different kind of life from that time on...

You chose the road less traveled and in doing so you recieved more than an education. We admire you for setting your goals high and we're proud of you for having the courage and tenacity to achieve them.

Congratulations and all our love to both of you and the class of '94.

"Lord, what wilt thou have me do?"
-- T. J. Jackson

"Like a man who stands upon a hill above the town he has just left, yet does not say 'the town is near', but turns his eys upon the distant soaring ranges."
-- Thomas Wolfe
The Bomb, 1966

Casey, our love and prayers go with you. Well done!
"The Fam"

James E. Smith

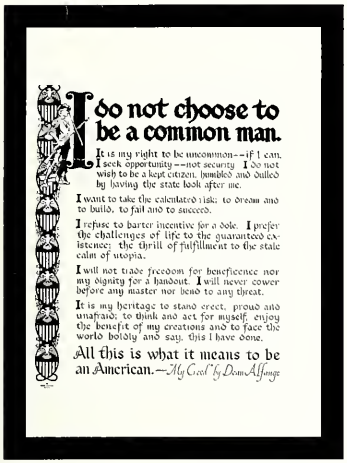
Congratulations and best wishes to you and all the graduates from your family and friends on the Eastern Shore.

We love you son and are proud of you. Thank you for all the memories of VMI.

Happy is the man that finds wisdom and gets understanding for its gain is more precious than any riches you desire and nothing can compare to it.
-- Proverbs 3:13-15

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Lara

CONGRATULATIONS
Corey F. Murphy
Our Favorite Uncommon Man!



I do not choose to be a common man.

It is my right to be uncommon--if I can. I seek opportunity--not security. I do not wish to be a kept citizen, humbled and dulled by having the state look after me.

I want to take the calculated risk; to dream and to build, to fail and to succeed.

I refuse to barter incentive for a dole. I prefer the challenges of life to the guaranteed existence; the thrill of fulfillment to the stale calm of utopia.

I will not trade freedom for beneficence nor my dignity for a handout. I will never cower before any master nor bend to any threat.

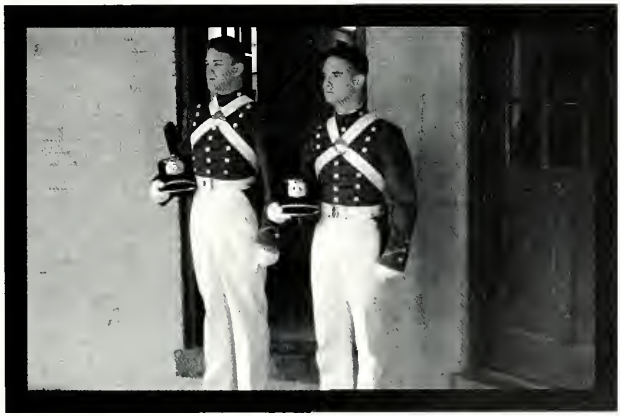
It is my heritage to stand erect, proud and unafraid; to think and act for myself, enjoy the benefit of my creations and to face the world boldly and say, this I have done.

All this is what it means to be an American.—*My Creed* by Dean Alfange

Love You!
Mom, Dad, Sean,
Cristin, Megan, Chris,
Friends, and Family

CONGRATULATIONS

Four Year Roommates



David (Woody) Bonner **Aaron (Mud) Micheal**
Friends For Life

Best Wishes for a Bright Future: Jack, Ruth, Dana, and Jeff.

1990

JON MacLENNAN LAUDER
REGIMENTAL COMMANDER
1993-1994

My Fellow Classmates and Brother Rats:

On this Graduation Day each of us will do well to remember the wisdom, if not the words, of president John F. Kennedy. He spoke to all Americans when he said in effect:

"For those of us whom much has been given much is also required...At some future date the high court of history will sit in judgement on each of us...future generations of Americans will record whether during our brief lifetime we fulfilled our responsibilities to our country, our community, and our fellow Americans regardless of thier color or circumstance. Our success or failure in what we choose to do, in whatever office wehold, will be measured by the answer to four questions.

First, are we truly men of courage? This means we must be willing to resist the intimidating influence of power, prestige, popular opinion or authority when we know them to be wrong.

Second, are we truly men of judgement? This means we must choose to do what is morally right rather than what is [illegible] politically correct.

[illegible] men of dedication? This will test our ability to stay the course regardless of intervening or [illegible]

[illegible] are we truly men of integrity? This means what it has always meant to us at VMI. We do not [illegible] tolerate those who do.

If you can talk with the crowds and keep your virtue
Or walk with Kings -- nor lose the common touch
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,
If all men count with you, but none too much,
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run,
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,
And -- which is more -- you'll be a Man, my son!
-- Rudyard Kipling

Congratulations Edward W. Hosken, III, and BR's, especially Adam, Kirk, and Pat.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Andrea, and Brian

Brian K. Kochanowski

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO YOU AND THE CLASS OF 1994

WE LOVE YOU
MOM, DAD, AND CHRIS

MEMORIES ARE WHAT WE LEAVE BEHIND. DREAMS ARE WHAT WE SEEK. MAY YOUR PAST ACCOMPLISHMENTS OPEN DOORS TO FUTURE SUCCESS.

Timothy W. Bailey

Congratulations to you and the Class of 1994

"Pain was Temporary...

Pride is Forever"

Fred Lehman '91 John Wright '88
Tim Bailey '94

The choice was yours, your goals were high, through the hard times you never gave up and now the reward is yours. We knew you would succeed, and now we are very proud of you.

Mom, Dad, Pam, Brian, Hannah, & Logan

Leonard Thomas Deaver

Congratulations and best wishes to you and the Class of 1994!

"Even youths grow tired and weary,
and young men stumble and fall;
but those who hope in the Lord
will renew thier strength.
They will soar on wings like eagles;
they will run and not grow weary,
they will walk and not be faint."
-- Isaiah 40:30-31

Love,
Dad and Mom

Garrett C. Hedges
Class of 1994
CONGRATULATIONS!

We share your pride
and happiness.
What you have earned
you will cherish forever --
A VMI DIPLOMA

LOVE,
Mom, Dad, Kara, Sandy, and Grandparents

TODD G. WITT

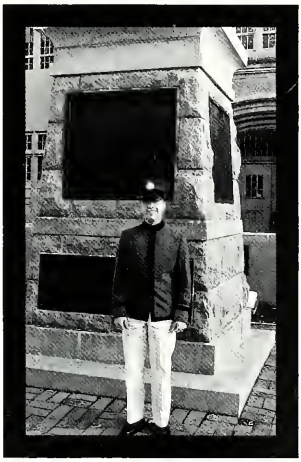
YOU HAVE ACHIEVED MUCH BY YOUR DETERMINATION AND PERSEVERANCE. WE ARE EXTREMELY PROUD OF YOU AND PRAY THE LORD CONTINUALLY MAKE HIS PLAN FOR YOUR LIFE KNOWN TO YOU!

FORMULA FOR SUCCESS: JOSHUA 1:8,9
WE LOVE YOU,
MOM AND DAD

ANDREW W. RUSH

St. Anne's College
Oxford University

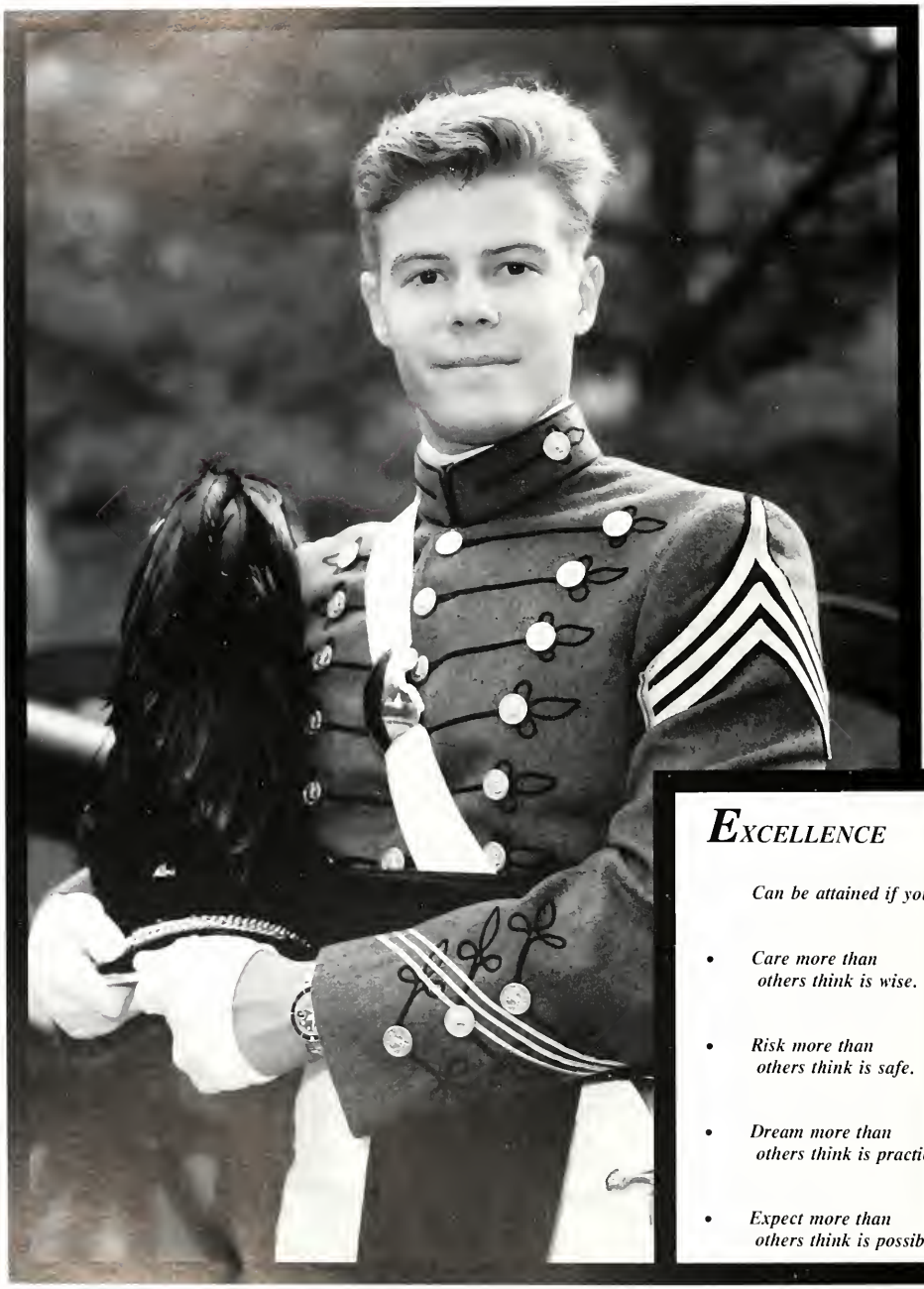
University of Grenoble



VMI Marching Band
Glee Club

United States Air Force

CONGRATULATIONS!
On a job well done.
Best wishes to you and the Class of 1994
Mom, Dad, Steve, Tim & Phil



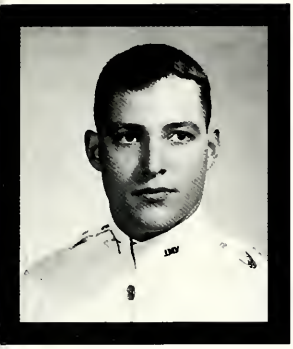
Donald Joseph Fix, Jr.

Excellence

Can be attained if you...

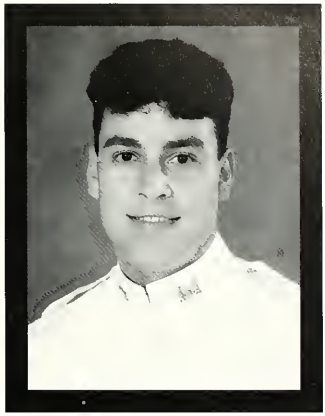
- *Care more than others think is wise.*
- *Risk more than others think is safe.*
- *Dream more than others think is practical.*
- *Expect more than others think is possible.*

Your family is very proud of you!



Hugh Coleman Dowdy, Jr. '65

George Stephen Dowdy '94



Hugh Coleman Dowdy III '92

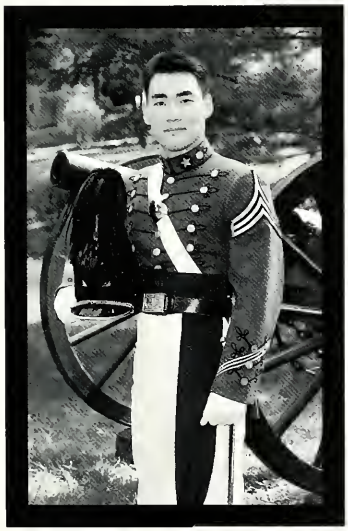
THE TRADITION CONTINUES...

Congratulations Stephen! You beat the odds 99 to 1 and made us all proud.

Love,

Mom, Dad '65, Angela, Hugh '92, and Timothy '99

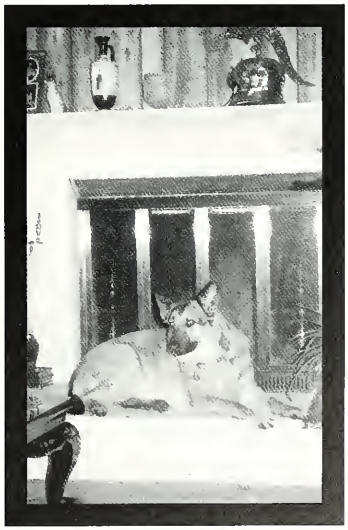
CONGRATULATIONS!



Sang Hyo Yoo
"Master"
& the Class of 1994

We love you and are very proud of you!

Mom, Dad, Duke, Linda & Kelly



JOHN EDWARD DIERLING

Congratulations on reaching this major milestone in your life. It represents the culmination of hard work and perseverence, a well deserved accomplishment. Union Jack, Tricolor, Stars, and Stripes...It's been a different road than most and one which we hope will always have value for you. Know that our love and support will continue, as does His.

Mom and Dad

SILLS O'KEEFE

CONGRATULATIONS!

We are so proud of you and all your accomplishments.

LOVE,
MOM, DAD, & MATT
JO & TOM
GRANDMOTHER HORNER
GRANDMOTHER O'KEEFE

KNOWING AND LIKING ONE'S SELF IS A DISTINCT VICTORY!

GOD BLESS

MATTHEW K. REINER

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO YOU AND THE CLASS OF 1995 IN YOUR RING FIGURE YEAR.

Cadet Jason R. Price

To us you are the "Best of the Best." "Consider it pure joy, my son, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverence".

James 1:2

We are so proud of you Jason, and wish you the best as you achieve your dreams. This is your year. Congratulations to you and Heather D.

All our love, B. and Mom

CONGRATULATIONS MARK S. BRADSHAW AND THE CLASS OF 1994

JOB WELL DONE! WE ARE VERY PROUD OF YOU

LOVE, DAD, MOM, AND DON

CLASS OF '80

Congratulations
Francis J. Ligday III
"Fritz"
Room 107 and the Class of '94
"Adversity Builds Character"
You have made us proud!

Thanks Fritz for your determination and for the VMI hammer throw Championships

Love,
Mom, Dad, Steve, Gramother and Aunts, Uncles, Cousins, Friends

Marc J. Phillips

You've come a long way both on and off the field. We're very proud of you.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Adam

Congratulations!
Michael David Grose

You became what you resolved to be! Your accomplishments say it all. We are very proud of you! God Bless and keep you!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Bill and Wesley
MIZPAH

William R. Gorman, II

Congratulations and best wishes to you and the Class of 1994.
No words can express how proud we are of you.
We love you son,
Mom, Dad, and Jan Marie

JOHN MICHAEL CAMPBELL
CONGRATULATIONS!

To A Great Son and Brother
You never gave up and we are proud of you.
May God bless you and keep you in His care.

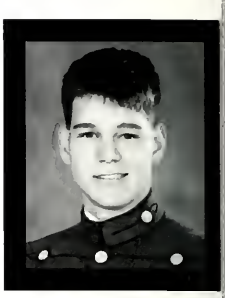
Love,
Mom & Dad, Joe, Melanie & Joseph

CLAYTON BRUCE ALTIZER

"CLAY"

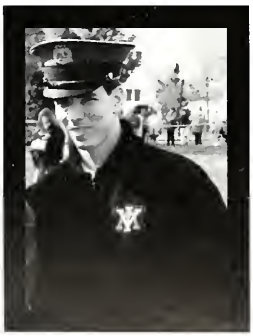
CLASS OF 1994

Congratulations and the very best to you always.
We are very proud of you!



"Two roads diverged in a wood, and I--
I took the one less travelled by,
And that made all the difference.

Love always,
Dad, Mom, Jocey, Mason, Scott, Katie, and Grandparents



Rudolph - We're Proud of You!

Dad, Mom, John, Linda, Kevin, Paul, Elyse, Kyle, Kaitlin, Kathleen, Terry, Mary, Steve, Christopher, Channing, Christine, John, Grandma Johnson, Grampa, Sarah, John, Maureen, Catherine, Sharon, Bill, Jim, Kerry, Christie, Aunt Mil, J.C., and Vimiusm.

Congratulations to our Son Aric Southworth!

Your accomplishments at VMI are many but will pale when compared to your accomplishments to come. For you, there are no limits in any dimension. We are very proud of you, and love you. God Bless.

Love,
Mom & Dad

Paul H. Whitmore

Congratulations on your successful journey through the challenges of VMI. We're proud of you and wish you continued success.

Thanks for the special VMI Memories.
Love always,
Mom, Dad, and "ging"

Ricard McLauchlin Clark

Congratulations Beach and best wishes to you, JP, Mike, and Mark!

**"May the road rise to meet you,
May the wind blow at your back,
May the sun shine warmly on your face;
May the rain fall softly on your field;
And until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of His hand."**

Ancient Gaelic Benediction

Love,
Mom, Dad & Craig

ROBERT LEE RAYNOR, JR.

CONGRATULATIONS ON BEING PART OF A GREAT TRADITION
FROM: The Family

Trust in the Lord with all your heart. And Lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him. And He shall direct your paths. Proverb 3:5-6

CONGRATULATIONS

Dale Hybl

We salute you on taking a giant step toward achieving your lifelong goal.

We're very proud of all you've accomplished.

With our love,
Mom, Dad, Dean & Darian

CONGRATULATIONS
LIEUTENANT JAMES DANIEL MOSLEY
and Room 111

DAVID, ADAM, JAMES AND CHRIS

With the wind at your back and fire in your soul
You've finally reached your ultimate goal.
The training is over, the teachers are gone,
They're leaving the ground, You're now on your own.
We find you you've left such a wonderful group
Your class was the best at the institute.

MOM, DAD, & SISTERS

Congratulations Carter

From a boy of the beach...

to a man of the Institute - you have always been special to us.

Dearest love,
Mom, Dad, and Erin

John Hamilton Beggs
Congratulations to you and your BR's for a job well done!

Best wishes for your life after VMI.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Steve

CADET ROBERT E. HOWARD

Congratulations on all your accomplishments.

We are very proud of you.

Love,
Mom, Dad and Joe

Congratulations
Cadet William F. Stegemerten

"Success in life is a matter not so much of talent or opportunity as of perseverance."
-CW Windle

God bless you and the Class of 1994.
Mom, Dad, Chris and Nicole

Aaron P. Michael

Congratulations and best wishes to you and your Class of 1994!
We love you and are so proud of your hard work in the last four years -
Mom, Dad, and Hope

Telling the truth gives a man great satisfaction, and hard work returns many blessings to him.
Proverbs 12:14

Christopher L. Doyle

Congratulations to you and the Class of 1994

We are Extremely Proud of You
We Love You,
Mom, Dad, Kelly & Steve

Do all the good you can,
By all the means you can,
In all the ways you can,
In all the places you can,
At all the times you can,
To all the people you can,
As long as you ever can.
- John Wesley

CONGRATULATIONS!
Michael Anthony Magliocco

We share your success and happiness.

Love,
Dad, Mom, and Mark

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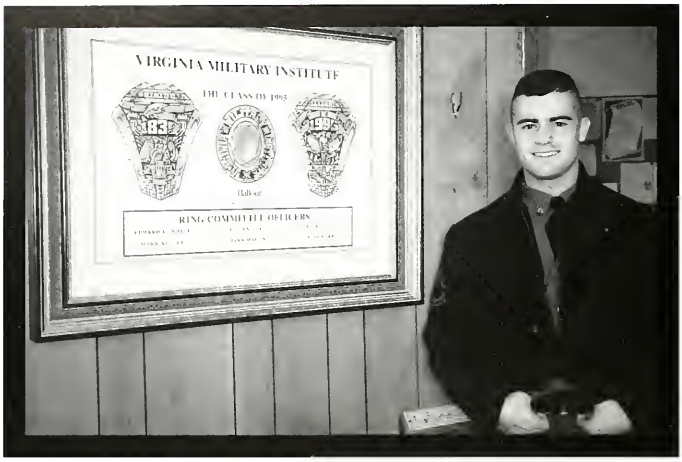
Congratulations Class of 1994!

Congratulations to Alan, John, & Dave (94B) We're quite proud and wish you all the best! - Tony, Shirley, & Kathryn Yankowsky

Good luck to Nick, "G" Brian, and Kirk!

T. Alan Dean, Ring Design Chairman

Congratulations to you and the Class of '95. We are so proud of your ring design and of all your accomplishments at VMI.



Ecclesiates 11:9
Colssians 3:15
"If we are to be judged by our achievements, you my son, are ours."

We think you are perfect and we Love you Always!
Mom, Dad, Andy, Adam & Alex

Integrety & Honor. You had them before, they'll last forever after.

The first class to burn straight pants.

(Who says the 50's were dull?!!)

Class of 1950 B

CONGRATULATIONS ON THE 100TH ISSUE OF THE VMI BOMB, THE OLDEST COLLEGE ANNUAL IN THE SOUTH.

THE CLASS OF 1928

THE CLASS OF 1928

(Pictured from left): Lisa Spilman, sister of the late Bob Spilman, Jr. '28; Cliff and Lizora Miller; Shep Mondy; Leonard and Ruth Lumsden; Willis and Dot Browning.

Compliments of the Class of 1953

Alma Mater Floreat quae nos educavit.

THE STONEWALL CLASS

1959 1994

35th REUNION

Congratulations and best wishes to the Class of 1994

BEST WISHES TO THE CLASS OF 1994 FROM THE VMI CLASS OF 1939 ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 55TH REUNION